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BIRTHS.

COUGHLIN—December 14, 1924, at "Stella Maris," Earlsfort terrace, to Mr. and Mrs. F. X. Coughlin, "St. Rock," Newbrook, Rathfarnham, a son.

DUFFY—December 13, 1924, at "Stella Maris," Earlsfort terrace, to Mr. and Mrs. Gavin Duffy, Queenstown Castle, Dalkey, a daughter.

INGLIS-SPICER—December 16, 1924, at 3 Seapoint terrace, Clontarf, to Eileen, wife of Captain G. J. Inglis-Spicer, a daughter. Both well.

SCALES—December 6, 1924, at New Street, Skerries, to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Scales, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

CONCANON and MAGUIRE—December 15, 1924, at Holy Trinity Church, Kensington Gore, London, S.W., by the Reverend — Coward, Colonel Edmond George Concanon, D.S.O., only son of the late James Blake Concanon, of Rockfield, Athenry, County Galway, Ireland, to Mrs. Maguire, widow of the late Dr. Ernest Maguire, of Brighton.

WILLIS and GROVES—December 6, 1924, at the Parish Church, East Hoathly, Sussex, by the Rev. J. F. Groves, M.A. (Cantab.) (father of the bride), John Henry Patrick, late Captain 21st Pioneers, Indian Army, eldest son of the Rev. Canon Willis, B.D., T.C.D., and Mrs. Willis, The Rectory, Moyne, County Wicklow, to Ethel Myra, only daughter of the Rev. J. F. Groves and Mrs. Groves, The Rectory, East Hoathly, Sussex.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

ARMSTRONG—December 16, 1924, at Rathfarnham, Cynthia Daphne, only child of the Rev. C. B. Armstrong, Warden of St. Columba's College, and Mrs. Armstrong, and grand-daughter of the late Sir Samuel Dill, Belfast, aged 5 years. Service in St. Columba's College Chapel to-day (Thursday) at 11 o'clock, proceeding to Whitechurch.

BOURKE—December 16, 1924, at Gordonville, Dundrum, County Dublin, Carrie, third daughter of the late Martin and Patricia Bourke, of this city. Funeral private.

FOOT—December 17, 1924, at Scotchrath, Mountrath, Anna Selina Foot, wife of the late Frederick D'Olier Foot, aged 80 years. Funeral at 1 o'clock to-morrow (Friday) to Roskelton.

GLENDON—December 16, 1924, at Monkstown Hospital, Edward Glendon, of Kill-o'-the-Grange, Monkstown. Deeply and deservedly regretted by his sorrowing children. Funeral arrangements later.

HEWITT—December 17, 1924, at River View, Ballymahon, Delphine Wilhelmina (Dell), loved daughter of Lorenzo J. and Wilhelmina S. Hewitt. Funeral 3 o'clock to-morrow (Friday), 19th.

HYLAND—December 17, 1924, at her residence, 10 Drumcondra Park, Margaret Mary, relict of late John Hyland. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing family. Jesus, have mercy. Remains to St. Agatha's R.C. Church, North William street, 8 o'clock to-day (Thursday). Funeral private. Australian and American papers please copy.

JEFFERIES—December 11, 1924, at Monte Video, Florita, beloved wife of T. W. Jefferies, of Estancia, Los Ceibos, Uruguay.

JOHNSON—December 17, 1924, at Clonbroney Vicarage, Edgeworthstown, Evaleen Grace Geraldine, wife of the Archdeacon of Ardagh. Funeral to-morrow (Friday) 2 o'clock p.m.

O'KEEFFE—December 17, 1924, at Dominican Convent, Sion Hill, Blackrock, County Dublin, Mother M. Bernard O'Keeffe, aged 88 years. R.I.P. Office and Requiem High Mass to-morrow (Friday) morning, 19th inst., at 11 o'clock. Funeral to the Convent Cemetery immediately after.

SAVILLE—On Tuesday, December 16, 1924, at Ashwood, Arklow, County Wicklow, Winifred, widow of the late Matthew Saville. "Peace, perfect peace." Funeral to Kilbride to-morrow (Friday), 19th, at 1 p.m.

SHERLOCK—December 17, 1924, at his residence, Carysfort, Glenageary, Henry Gregg Sherlock, F.R.C.S.I. Funeral private. No flowers, by request.

WHYTE—December 17, 1924, at 33 Hollybrook road, Clontarf, Eleanor E., widow of the late John Whyte, Tivoli, Clontarf. Funeral to Mount Jerome, leaving Hollybrook road at 9.30 a.m., to-morrow (Friday).

WINDER—December 16, 1924, at Maisonnette, Cowper Gardens, Naenie, loved and loving wife of Percy Winder, and beloved adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Perrin. Funeral leaving house at 9.30 a.m. for Mount Jerome at 10 a.m.

IN MEMORIAM.

ARTHURS—In ever-loving memory of George W. Arthurs, who died at his residence, 38 Frankfort avenue, Rathgar, on the 18th December, 1916. Sadly missed.

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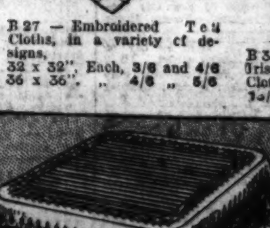

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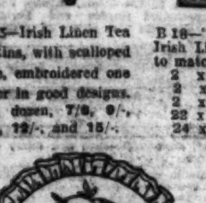

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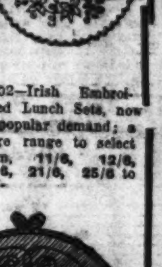

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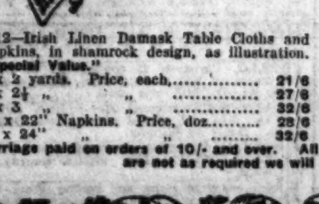

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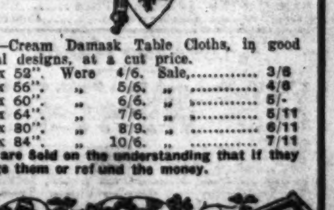

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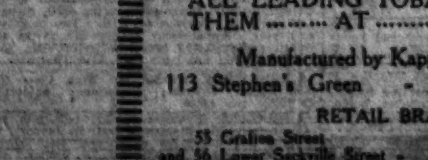

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FOR ad Motor Body Work and Painting.—The City Wheel and Carriage Works, Ltd., Great Brunswick street, Dublin. 10 T

FOR Sale, 13.9 Renault Car, Touring, new September, 1923; seen in Dublin.—D 1287, this office. 13 D

FORD Two Seater, electric light, spare wheel, new tyres; guaranteed perfect running order; bargain.—Fitzwilliam Garage, rear Fitzwilliam square. 14 D

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LOST, old Pearl Ring (one missing); finder good reward.—D 1295, this office. 13 D

LOST, Diamond Maltese Cross Brooch, between Pembroke road and Merrion square, Tuesday last. Liberal reward at 31 Merrion square. 15 E

LOST, Monday, Baggot, Leeson streets, or Stephen's Green, Amber Necklace.—17 Wellington place.

LOST, Parcel, containing crochet.—D 1475, this office.

LOST or Strayed from 4 Haymarket, Dublin, on 16th inst., young Irish Terrier Dog, red, with white spot on chest, answers to "Domino." Reward if brought to above address. 17 E

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SITUATIONS VACANT.

LAOIGHIS COUNTY COUNCIL.

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

Notice is hereby given that applications for the office of Secretary to Laoighis County Council, accompanied by testimonials as to character and qualifications, certificate of birth and medical certificate as to state of Health, will be received by the undersigned at his Office, Courthouse, Portlaoighise, not later than WEDNESDAY, the 31st day of DECEMBER, 1924.

The age of candidates for the office shall not be less than 21 years and not more than 40 years, except in the case of officials already in the Local Government service.

The applications received will be transmitted to a Special Selection Board appointed under the auspices of the Civil Service Commission, who will examine the applications and relative testimonials, and select therefrom such candidates as they may prima facie consider suitable. These candidates will then be required to attend before the Selection Board for an oral test and written examination, if deemed necessary, and the names of such as the Board may consider capable will then be communicated to the County Council for them to appoint from that number a County Secretary, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

The salary of the Secretary shall be an inclusive scale of salary of £400, with current cost of living bonus from time to time, which shall cover and include the entire remuneration payable to the Secretary in respect of all duties now or in the future assigned to him by the Council with the consent or by direction of the Minister.

The person appointed shall be required to enter into a formal agreement with the Council undertaking to lodge forthwith to the credit of the Council's funds all fees and monies received by him by virtue of his position, and he shall also be required to enter into a bond with an approved Guarantee Society in a sum of £1,000 for the due fulfilment and discharge of his duties. The said agreement and bond to be lodged with the Council's Treasurer.

By Order,
J. CAREY, Secretary.

County Council Office, Courthouse, Portlaoighise, 15th December, 1924.

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TWO Seater 9.20 H.P. Rover, painted Nile blue, Demonstration Car; not registered. Seen at Rover Co., Lord Edward street, Dublin. First cheque £185 secures. 16 D

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WANTED, Junior Clerk, thorough knowledge of Bookkeeping; state experience and salary expected.—D 1387, this office. 15 E

WANTED, middle January, Lady Help (Protestant) for small, convenient modern house in country town, 50 miles from Dublin, small family; some cooking; no objection to foreigner; state age and salary expected. Address "Z 23, Help," this office. 15 E

WANTED, Office Boy, Engineering Works, city; state full particulars, age, religion.—D 1457, this office. 17 E

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The prospects for the iron trade are deemed to have so far improved that a decision has been reached to restart early next month the Ayresome Ironworks, Middlesbrough, which have been completely idle for a few months past.

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LIFFEY WATER-POWER.

FURTHER EXPERT EVIDENCE.

At yesterday's session of the Oireachtas Committee examining the bills for the electrification of the Liffey water-power, the case against the Dublin Electricity Supply Bill was taken up, and it was urged that the East Leinster scheme was more economical and efficient.

Mr. W. M. Jellett, K.C. (Senior Counsel for the East Leinster scheme), opened the case, and said that adequacy of supply and a reasonable charge to the consumer went to the root of all those bills. If those vital considerations were not dealt with, the desired result of promoting these schemes would not be obtained. He ventured to say that there was no provision in the Dublin Electricity Supply Bill enabling that company to make agreements as to prices within the area of supply.

They had a good deal of expert evidence there, "but," said counsel, "we have never had any evidence of a person who has designed and constructed a scheme like this." Sir John Griffith admitted that he had never constructed a hydro-electric scheme of this kind.

WALES AND IRELAND.

Mr. W. G. E. Bennie, M.A. (Cantab), M.I.C.E., past President of the Institute of Water Engineers and member of the Geological Society, stated that he was a member of the firm of Sir Alexander Bennie, Son, and Deacon, consulting engineers. His firm had designed and carried out important schemes of water supply, including the construction of the Birkenhead works, consisting of a large reservoir in Wales and an aqueduct to Birkenhead, a distance of forty-two miles. He made a statement showing the average annual power which could be guaranteed under the proposals of the Dublin Electricity Bill as compared with that which could be obtained under the proposals of the East Leinster Bill. There was an advantage in favour of the East Leinster scheme equal to 3 feet, or 1.4 per cent.

The higher the working head the greater the efficiency of the turbines and generators. The turbines installed under the Dublin Electricity Bill were working under a maximum 160 feet at Poulaphouca Station and 60 feet at Golden Falls, where, as under the East Leinster proposals, the head would be 223 feet. The average of efficiency given by two manufacturing firms was 1.7 per cent. in favour of the East Leinster plant.

GREATER STORAGE.

The quantity of water dealt with would be 15 cubic feet per second greater in the case of the East Leinster scheme, due to the greater storage, representing an increase of 5.7 per cent. The current had to be maintained from the hydro-electric power station under all conditions.

Mr. Fitzgerald—Do you suggest that the Dublin Electricity Supply Company cannot secure the flow that they budget for?

Witness—It is absolutely impossible. The depths are wrong and the fluctuations are wrong.

In answer to further questions, witness said that Herr Buchi's pipe-line was estimated to cost £210,000. The cost of pipes in witness's scheme was estimated at £160,000.

Mr. Lyons, electrical engineer, was examined as to the principle on which property rates were levied in connection with undertakings for hydro-electric development.

MILES TO BE SUBMERGED.

Mr. Leonard, K.C., who, with Mr. Kingsmill Moore, appeared for the Wicklow County Council, addressed the Committee, and said that the Dublin City Bill was less attractive to the people of Wicklow than the East Leinster Bill. They had no wish for one bill more than another if their interests were provided for. He urged that the Committee should see that no injury was done to the quarry industry at Ballyknockin, or ample compensation should be provided to prevent the destruction of that industry. Some 4,900 acres were to be submerged, and the company incorporated was authorised to expropriate 1,954 acres in addition—that was, 8½ square miles of the district. The promoters of the East Leinster Bill had kept within the limit of the high-water mark, but in the Dublin District Bill the expropriation of so much land meant that about 500 persons would be rendered literally homeless.

The Chairman asked if he contended that the bills should be dropped on account of the disturbance of so many people.

Mr. Leonard said that he did not go so far, but he contended that every precaution should be taken in the financial clauses of the bills to make provision for adequate compensation for disturbance and loss of industry in the areas affected.

The Committee adjourned until 10.30 this morning.

LIFFEY AND SHANNON.

PROPOSALS TO GOVERNMENT.

We have received from the directors of the Liffey Syndicate, Ltd., a statement which urges that the resources of the Liffey and the Shannon ought to be developed without delay as portion of one national scheme. The possibility of this concurrent development rests upon the fact that modern electro-chemical and electro-metallurgical industries can at one be established. "For many months past," says the statement, "the problem has occupied the attention of the directors and the expert advisers of the Liffey Syndicate. As a result of these investigations, and of very encouraging negotiations with the largest firm of chemical manufacturers in the Free State, preliminary proposals have been placed before the Government, which, if adopted, will lead to the establishment of a great chemical industry, deriving its power from a Shannon-Liffey network of mains.

"The process in question—for the production of synthetic ammonia—is the invention of an Italian scientist, and has passed so far from the experimental stage that the French and other Governments have acquired the rights, and placed contracts for its development in their territories. It is specially suitable for Irish water-power conditions. Its introduction would not alone ensure the early production of over £250,000 worth of agricultural fertilisers now imported annually, but would lead to materially reduced costs of national electricity supply for all other purposes.

"While it is desirable to seek a certain amount of financial support for such undertakings from outside sources, the directors of the Liffey Syndicate rely for the design and execution of the necessary works mainly upon trained Irish engineers and scientists with local knowledge, and upon Irish financial resources."

VETERINARY SERVICES.

BETTER FACILITIES NEEDED IN FREE STATE.

At the general meeting of the Veterinary Medical Association of Ireland, the President, Mr. J. Doyle, M.R.C.V.S., delivered an address on "Veterinary Services in the Free State."

Mr. Doyle said that in the Free State there were at present only 250 qualified members of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, of whom the Counties of Cork and Dublin absorbed about one-third, leaving about 170 in the twenty-four counties. The facilities for obtaining veterinary assistance by stockholders were scandalously inadequate in many places, so that the treatment of domestic animals was too often left in the hands of "quacks" and ignorant persons. It might be remembered that the outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in 1913 occurred in a herd which had been treated by a local "quack" for "timber-tongue."

Mr. Doyle then referred to the achievements of the veterinary profession in keeping Ireland free from foot-and-mouth disease and other scourges which ravaged other lands. A large sum had recently been expended in the Free State for the erection and equipment of a veterinary research laboratory, but its work would be greatly handicapped if not supported by a number of qualified inquirers throughout the country. He then mentioned the necessity for research work by skilled operators with a view to combating tuberculosis and "contagious abortion" in cattle.

The value of the live-stock industry was shown by the exports from the Free State to Great Britain for twelve months ending March, 1924, which amounted to £30,300,000. In addition should be considered the capital value of the live-stock remaining, which could only be guessed at, but which was certainly over one hundred million pounds.

The average distance covered for a penny on the London County Council's tramways was one mile and a-quarter.

YESTERDAY'S CASES IN THE COURTS.

DUBLIN POLICE RIGHTS.

QUESTION AFFECTING 1,100 MEN.

(Before Mr. Justice Meredith.)

The hearing was resumed of the adjourned case of Cahill and others v. the Attorney-General, an action relating to the rights, privileges, and obligations of voluntarily retired or retiring members of the Dublin Metropolitan Police Force, and affecting some 1,100 men, represented by the plaintiffs, J. Cahill, B. Clarke, and C. Mangan.

Mr. Blood, K.C.; Mr. Price, K.C.; and Mr. Henry (instructed by Messrs. Roger Greene and Sons), appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. Serjeant Hanna, K.C.; Mr. Overend, K.C.; and Mr. Costello (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor), for the Attorney-General.

The question at issue in the case mainly depended upon the legal interpretation and construction of certain Statutes, Orders, and documents connected with the change of Government in Ireland, and with the Constitution and powers of the Irish Free State.

Mr. Blood, resuming his opening address on behalf of the plaintiffs, referred to a question raised on Friday by Mr. Overend, that there were certain classes of men affected who were not parties in the case as it at present existed, and were not within the scope of this action. On behalf of the plaintiffs, he had considered the matter with his colleagues, and they had come to the conclusion that it would be advisable to serve notice on the defendant of their intention to add nine other men as plaintiffs who were interested in the result of the action in connection with the body of 1,100 men. That notice was served on Monday.

In reply to his lordship, Mr. Overend said that he was going to oppose the proposed amendment, which he regarded as absolutely inconvenient and impossible at this stage of the case.

Mr. Justice Meredith pointed out that the amendment of the plaintiffs' pleadings would probably entail an amendment of the defendant's pleading, and a considerable increase in the costs. He suggested that it might be better, perhaps, from that point of view to allow the case to proceed, and have the issues already raised decided. If unsuccessful, the plaintiffs would have to pay all those increased costs.

Mr. Blood thanked his lordship, and asked for an adjournment for ten minutes to consider the matter.

Mr. Justice Meredith, referring to the decision in the case of Wig v. the Attorney-General, dealing with the *status* and claims of civil servants, which had been mentioned by Mr. Blood, said that the declarations sought in the plaintiffs' statement of claim depended upon whether or not they could bring themselves within the Statutory conditions mentioned in the Act of 1920; and no direct reference was made in the statement of claim as to the consequences of the provisions of that Act at all with respect to persons retiring in consequence of the change of Government.

Mr. Blood said that he thought that the effect of the Wig v. Attorney-General and Section 38 of the Interpretation Act of 1889 solved the matter. The Act did not affect any right, privilege, obligation, or liability acquired, accrued, or incurred under any enactment repealed by the Act. Under the Act of 1920 these men had conferred upon them the rights and privileges the Statutory compensation afforded by that Act and Schedule 9.

The defence was that that was repealed by the Act of 1922, and his answer was Sub-section 4, which made the matter clear. Everyone of the 1,100 men was interested here, and they had a right to get the difference between their original pay and their recent pay. They had a common case as regards the impeachment of the Pensions Order of 1922. In opening the case he had said that they were all honestly anxious to have every question affecting the 1,100 men discussed, and Mr. Overend sat silent, while all the time he was forging this thunderbolt.

Mr. Overend said that, on the contrary, he rose and said that he would make that point.

Mr. Justice Meredith—Mr. Overend said that the point was as to whether that could be enforced in the action.

Mr. Price pointed out that the pleadings contained several references to the case of men returning by reason of the change of Government.

On the application of Mr. Blood, who remarked that it was a grave matter, his lordship allowed them an adjournment to consider the subject further.

On resuming after the adjournment,

Mr. Blood said that the decision that they had come to was to move their application to add the parties.

Mr. Overend opposed the application, and said that it was an unheard of course to take in an action of this kind.

Mr. Justice Meredith held that the application of Rule 12, Order 16, was not confined to cases in which the refusal to allow parties to be added would cause an injustice owing to the suit being improperly constituted, or in any other way defective, but extended to all cases in which the refusal would lead to a multiplicity of actions. In the present case the pleadings had raised a number of difficult questions affecting different members of the police force, and, if the application were refused, a number of those questions would either not be decided or not be decided in such a way as to cover the case of all persons interested. The amendment was only sought in order that all the questions arising on the pleadings might be brought before the Court by reference to definite concrete facts. On these grounds, he felt bound to allow the amendment, but he could only do so on the terms of the plaintiffs paying the costs occasioned by the amendment, and the defendants must have the usual time for filing their amended defence.

The further hearing of the case was adjourned until the first action day in the second week of next sittings.

DUBLIN CIRCUIT COURT.

JEWISH SCHOOL DISPUTE.

(Before Judge Drumgoole.)

James Polack, proprietor of a Jewish boarding school at Maidenhead, sued Harry Marks, Henry street, Dublin, to recover £33 5s. school fees. The plaintiff's case was that the defendant sent his two children to the plaintiff's school and that they were to be subject to the conditions and stipulations contained in the prospectus, which included a condition that a term's notice or a half-term's fees in lieu of notice should be given on the withdrawal of any pupil. The defendant, on the 1st of April last, withdrew his two sons from the school without notice, whereupon £33 5s. became due.

Mr. Tobias (instructed by Messrs. Porter, Morris and Co.) appeared for the plaintiff, Mr. J. Geoghegan (instructed by Mr. A. E. Walker) appeared for the defendant.

The plaintiff, in his evidence, stated that the defendant wrote to him saying that he could not allow his boys to return to the school for obvious reasons. He did not know what defendant meant by "obvious reasons." Mr. Marks had impressed upon him that he wished his boys to be in Jewish surroundings, and to live in a house where the rites of the Jewish religion were practised, as there was no Jewish school in Dublin. Witness's teaching was in accordance with the practice of the great mass of Jews in England, but it might differ somewhat from the practice of Jews in the Ghetto in Poland, Russia, and other countries.

The defendant (Mr. Marks), in his evidence, stated that he sent his boys to the Crawford School, Maidenhead, in order that they might be better taught than they could be in Dublin. He received a letter from the boys, in which they said that Mr. Polack was "not a Jew," and that the school was not Jewish. One of them said that he saw Mr. Polack smoking after sunset on a Friday—an improper thing for a Jew to do. He also prayed with head uncovered, which was an unorthodox thing to do.

Dr. Hertzog, Chief Rabbi, Dublin, stated that Mr. Marks had consulted him in April last about the boys, and from what he had been told by Mr. Marks, Mr. Polack was the wrong man to entrust with the responsibility of teaching his sons. He regarded Mr. Polack's views on a number of questions as unorthodox. Smoking on the Sabbath amounted to a desecration of that day.

The judge said that the case showed the existence of two distinct schools of Jewish thought. Mr. Polack was inclined to a certain extent towards modernism, as against the strict orthodoxy of the others. He held that the defendant should not have withdrawn the boys from the school without notice, and gave a decree for the sum claimed.

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DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT.

SEVERAL FOOD CASES.

(Before Mr. Collins.)

Michael Sugrue, Verschoyle Court, was fined £2 for a breach of the licensing laws on the night of the 21st November.

Sergeant Dove gave evidence of finding four men in the bar at 10 o'clock, with pints of porter and a glass of whiskey before them.

The publican's explanation was that one of the men had just come out of hospital, and that he asked him and his friends in for a drink "to celebrate his recovery."

They were fined 5s. each.

Mr. J. W. Davis prosecuted on behalf of the D.M.P., and Mr. E. H. Burne defended.

Thomas Byrne, *alias* Curran, no fixed residence, charged by Detective Officers Fennell and Sherlock with stealing seven bicycles in various parts of the city and selling them in the country, was remanded for a week.

BAD MEAT.

John Byrne, Meath street, was fined £3 for exposing for sale sixteen pieces of corned beef unfit for human consumption.

John O'Donovan, V.S., stated that the meat was affected by tuberculosis lesions. A number of pieces showed peritonitis or pleurisy, or both.

DEFECTIVE MILK.

Elizabeth O'Shaughnessy, The Grove, Northbrook road, was fined 20s. for selling milk which was deprived of 26.7 p.c. of its fats. She was also fined 5s. and 21s. costs for failing to cause every vessel used for containing milk to be thoroughly cleansed with steam or clean boiling water after it had been used, and failing to cause it to be maintained in a constant state of cleanliness. She was also fined 10s. for occupying the premises as a dairy without first having obtained a certificate from the Medical Officer of Health.

Miss Hayes, Inspector, proved the cases.

Mr. C. W. Russell (Messrs. W. J. Shannon and Co.) appeared for the prosecution.

Mr. E. H. Burne, solicitor, defended.

UNLABELLED MARGARINE.

John Devine, Feigh Cullen Buildings, Ranelagh, was fined £3 for exposing a parcel of margarine for sale which was not properly labelled. He was fined £2 for unlawfully selling a pound of margarine not duly branded or marked, and failing to deliver it wrapped in a proper way.

Philip Meagher, Sandford House, Ranelagh, was fined 20s. for exposing margarine for sale which was not properly labelled, and for selling it not duly branded or in a proper paper wrapper.

Miss Hayes proved the cases.

STOLEN BUTTER CHARGE.

(Before Mr. Cussen.)

James Kelly (36), who gave an address in Stafford street, and Francis Salmon (35), of no fixed residence, were charged with breaking and entering the lock-up and wholesale stores of Patrick Murphy, Upper Ormond quay, between Saturday and Monday, 6th and 8th inst., and stealing therefrom nine boxes, each containing 56lbs. of butter; three kilns, each containing 62lbs. of butter; and four cases of bully beef, each containing 12 cartons, all value for £63.

Patrick Manning, shopkeeper, York street, was charged with feloniously receiving the butter.

At a previous hearing police evidence was to the effect that Manning bought the butter for £17.

Mr. Murphy said the butter had now been all recovered, except one box.

Sergeant Lynch gave evidence to the effect that Manning identified Salmon as the man who, with Kelly, sold him the butter. Salmon, when charged, denied that he had ever seen Manning. The detective officer said he found, when searching Manning's that morning, 11 bicycle tyres in his cellar. He said he bought them years ago. The police now preferred another charge against Manning for having the tyres illegally in his possession. Manning produced a receipt for the tyres from Quinn Bros. for £8 odd.

The accused were returned for trial.

LICENSING CHARGE.

Michael Hogan, publican, Summerhill, was fined £4 for having his licensed premises open at 5.14 p.m. on Sunday, November 2nd, when a number of people were still in the bar.

Defendant's case was that his time was 5.5, and he was busy clearing the bar when the constable entered. The people found in the bar were cautioned.

Mr. Davis prosecuted, and Mr. Davy defended.

ILLEGAL IMPORTATION.

CHIEF STEWARD PUNISHED.

(Before Mr. Collins.)

In the Dublin Police Court yesterday, George Major, chief steward of the Burns and Laird Line steamer Puma, was charged with importing illegally that morning a quantity of cigarettes and spirits, value £19 15s. 8d.

P. J. Curran said that he was in charge of the rummaging party on the ship that morning, and found concealed in a locker in defendant's cabin 4½lbs. of cigarettes, 1½ gallons of port wine, five-sixths gallons of champagne, 2.15 gallons of spirits, ¼ gallon of liqueur.

Mr. Burne, who defended, said that Major had been in the habit of going to Belfast, where it was unnecessary to make any Customs declaration, and he neglected to declare these cigarettes and wines and spirits. Defendant was 35 years in the service of the company. He could not gain anything by selling the cigarettes or liquor. The cabin was the ship's cabin, the defendant's private room.

Defendant was fined £19 15s. 8d., and the property was declared confiscated.

CHARGE OF FALSE PRETENCES.

Sydney Stott, motor salesman, Malone avenue, University road, Belfast, was charged with obtaining £50 by false pretences from Timothy O'Sullivan, of Ulster street, Dublin.

The charge arose out of a transaction in regard to the sale of a car.

Accused was remanded till Monday.

KILLED AT MOTOR CYCLE TRIALS.

ACTION FOR COMPENSATION.

In the King's Bench Division, Belfast, yesterday, the hearing concluded, before the Lord Chief Justice and a common jury, of the action brought by Agnes McKee, of Sandown road, Belfast, and her daughter, Miss Lily McKee, against James V. C. Malcolmson for compensation for the death of Mrs. McKee's son, Henry, who was struck and killed by a motor cycle driven by the defendant, who was taking part in motor cycle trials held at Clandeboye on the 28th April, 1923. The North Down Motor Cycle Club, who organised the event, were also sued.

When the jury answered the questions which had been left to them by the Lord Chief Justice, his lordship refused to give judgment in favour of any of the parties, but left it to any of them, if they so wished, to move in the Divisional Court of the King's Bench for judgment.

CIRCUIT COURT.

COUNTY MAYO.

Castlebar, Monday, 9th February, 1925, at 11 a.m. Entry day, Tuesday, 2nd February, 1925. Equity business—Monday, 16th February, 1925, at 11 a.m. Entry day, Tuesday, 2nd February, 1925.

Ballina, Friday, 20th February, 1925, at 11 a.m. Entry day, Friday, 13th February, 1925. Equity business—Tuesday, 24th February, 1925, at 11 a.m. Entry day, Friday, 13th February, 1925.

HILARY SITTINGS IN COUNTY CLARE.

At Ennis, Tuesday, 13th January, 1925, at 12 o'clock—Criminal business. Wednesday, 14th January—Continue criminal business, if necessary; appeals; equity; workmen's compensation; undefended civil bills; defended civil bills; criminal injury claims. Thursday, 15th January—Continuation of civil business. Entry day, Thursday, 8th January.

At Kilrush, Tuesday, February 12th, at 12 o'clock—Appeals; undefended civil bills; ejectments; equity; workmen's compensation; defended civil bills; criminal injury claims; income tax appeals. Wednesday, February 4th—Continuation of civil business. Entry day, Thursday, 29th January.

REPUBLICANS OPEN ROSCOMMON CAMPAIGN.

A general meeting of Republicans in Roscommon was held to launch the election campaign. A protest was made against the suggestion that the recent bank raid at Frenchpark was carried out by Republicans.

EDUCATIONAL IDEALS.

HISTORY, IRISH AND THE LEAGUE.

At the annual distribution of prizes, at the Rutland High School, Dublin, yesterday, the Rev. Denham Osborne, D.D., said that he feared the forcing of Irish in the schools was being done at the cost of educational efficiency, but he hoped that in course of time every child would be bi-lingual, speaking both Irish and English.

Mr. Bolton C. Waller advocated the teaching in all schools of the meaning and utility of the League of Nations.

The League was a union of people from all parts of the world, said Mr. Waller, organised with the object of bringing about peace, brotherliness and kindness towards one another. They could all help by their knowledge of different peoples and by coming to realise that they were all members of the one family and very like one another. If the League was to be a success they must spread the sense of oneness among all kinds of people.

A good many people were specially gloomy about the prospects of Protestants in the Irish Free State. He thought that they had no reason to be gloomy. They were not getting or seeking any position of privilege, but they ought to get, as he was convinced they would, a fair show and a fair chance. It seemed to him that Ireland at present needed people of every kind who were really in earnest and were going to do really good work.

A BI-LINGUAL AIM.

The Rev. Dr. Osborne said that if he had any way of getting some influence to be brought to bear on the authorities he would like to remind them that Rome was not built in a day, and that to attempt to build a house in a short time, too short for efficient workmanship, only meant shoddy houses. He was afraid that the forcing of Irish was being done at the cost of education and the cost of efficiency of the Irish citizen of the future. At the same time, he was of opinion that a nation's soul required the nation's language, and he hoped that in the course of time every child would be bi-lingual, speaking both Irish and English.

Turning to the position of Protestants in the Irish Free State, Dr. Osborne said that it had been his duty from time to time to represent before certain departments of the Government the position in which some of his co-religionists were placed in the Free State, and he was able now to say that the whole idea of those men in authority with whom he had been in communication was to deal with them with the utmost fairness, and more than fairness. They could rest assured that they were on terms of perfect equality with their fellow-citizens.

BREADTH IN HISTORY.

In the course of an eminently satisfactory report of the work of the school during 1924, Miss G. R. Hudson, Principal, said, in reference to the new programme of courses to be adapted in secondary schools, that the course most open to criticism was that of history. If, as some seemed to fear, it was intended that history should be used as a means of promoting insularity and racial bitterness, then history as a subject for examination in schools such as the present was doomed to failure; but it was difficult to believe that such was the intention of any body of educationalists.

They intended to see that Irish was taught; so that, whatever they might feel as to its ultimate utility, none of its educational value as a language study might be lost.

A vote of thanks having been passed to Mr. Waller for his address, the proceedings terminated with the singing of "God Save the King."

The attendance included the Rev. Canon Greer, the Rev. William Anderson, the Rev. J. G. Cummins, the Rev. J. T. Fleming, Mr. William J. Lyon, the Rev. H. C. Cave, and Mr. George Birney.

NORTHERN UNBOUGHT TENANTS

At a meeting of the Central Committee of the Unbought Tenants' Association in Belfast, Mr. George Henderson reported that the work of organisation was proceeding very satisfactorily, and had extended in many directions over the Six Counties.

Enthusiasm was growing and the opinions of the tenants was daily hardening against terms of purchase that were not equal to those obtained by the tenants in the other 26 counties by the Land Act of 1923.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Thursday, Dec. 18th, 1924.

CUIRT ATHCHOMHAIRC CHOIRIULA (Court of Criminal Appeal).—In the Supreme Court, at 11 o'clock. To be Mentioned—The Attorney-General v. Moynihan (Mary). For Hearing—The Attorney-General v. Thomas P. Hardy. Application to Extend Time—The Attorney-General v. Shine.

CUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS UACHTARACH (the Supreme Court of Justice). For To-morrow (Friday), 19th December, at 11 o'clock. For Hearing—Foran v. Larkin.

AN PRIMH-BHREITHEAMH (Chief Justice).—In Lunacy. Before the Registrar at 11.30 o'clock—Statement, O'Neill and Collins. Chief Justice's Chambers. Before Dr. Webb, at 11.30 o'clock—Talbot, a minor, vch. account.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS (the High Court of Justice).—Court No. 1. Before Mr. Justice Meredith (at conclusion of On Notice List). Actions—Ryan v. Harty; Lavin v. Halloran; Campion v. Cormack.

IN COURT 1.—At 11 o'clock. Exparte Motions. On Notice—Palmer v. Palmer and ors.; First National Pictures v. Powell.

IN COURT 2.—Before Mr. Justice Murnaghan, at 11 o'clock. At Chambers—Daly, decd., Dunne v. Dunne. Adjourned into Court—Laffan v. Ryan (witnesses).

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.—Land Act, 1923. At the Courts of Justice, Dublin Castle. In Court No. 3. Before Mr. Justice Wylie, at 10.30 o'clock. Objection for Hearing—Cornelius O'Sullivan tenant, Reps. McCarthy O'Leary landlord. Motion—Estate of Richard Ellis, John O'Keeffe, registered owner. Land Act, 1923—Galway Co. Council (appeal).

LAND JUDGE'S CASE.—Before Mr. Justice Wylie. In Court No. 3 (at conclusion of Land Commission List). Court—Gustavus G. McLeod Tew.

COIMISIUN CUIRTEANNA DHAIL EIREANN CRIOCHNU GNOTHA (Dail Eireann Court (Winding-up) Commission).—Before the Chief Judicial Commissioner and Mr. Commissioner C. S. Kenny, In Court No. 1, Dail Courts Commission Buildings, Caislean, Bla Cliath, at 10.30 o'clock. Appeal. For Hearing—Skeffington v. Healy. For Hearing—Dublin Corporation v. Cherry (and nine other cases). Appeals for Hearing—Maguire v. McMahon; O'Reilly v. Fitzpatrick; Martin v. Clarke. For Friday, 19th December. Land Settlement. For Directions—Egan and ors. v. Ormonde and ors. (Sir John Carden's estate).

AN CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS CHUARDA (Circuit Court of Justice).—AT GREEN STREET. At 11 o'clock—In the matter of the Companies Acts and in the matter of the W. M. Engineering Co., Ltd.; Burke v. American Feather Co.; Avon India Rubber Co. v. Kelly; Bell v. Furey; Barry v. Walsh and ors.; Byrne v. Farrell; Farrell v. Byrne; Carlos v. Wayte; Costello v. Browne; Power v. same; To-morrow (Friday), 19th December, at 11 o'clock, at Green street—Income Tax Appeals.

TRIALS BY JURY.—For To-morrow (Friday), 19th December. To be Mentioned—Nee v. Galway County Council and ors.

Chambers No. 1. Room 38.—Hickey v. Hickey; Wilson v. Wilson; Chapman, decd., Wells v. Attorney-General; McHugh v. McHugh; O'Connor v. Reilly.

Chambers No. 2. Room 39. At 11 o'clock—Roscommon Co-operative Agricultural Society, Ltd., sign cert.; Northern Banking Co., Ltd., v. Killian; Kean v. McGarry; J. E. Dwen, decd. Wright v. Dwen; J. Costelloe, decd. Feely v. Costelloe; J. Corcoran, decd., Devine v. Brady; W. W. McGwire, decd. Gylns v. Glynn; J. Moonan, decd. Reilly v. Moonan; Gael Co-operative Printing, Publishing and Trading Society, Ltd. Before the Assistant Chief Clerk. Room 39, at 11.30 o'clock—Motor Hirage and Sales Co., Ltd.; M. A. Bonnar, decd., Bonnar v. Bonnar.

CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—Master Kilbride at 11 o'clock—Hegarty v. Kearney, Brown and M'Cann; Curran v. O'Brien, MacKenzie and Hegan; Kelly v. Duggan, Crowley, Bolger and Quench; Todd v. Conry, Kelly and Walker, T. Healy; Bradford v. (Hallisey), J. Travers-Wolfe; Stranorlar Rural District Council to Boyle, J. Boyle. Master Denning at 11 o'clock—A person of unsound mind (G.S.), Baker, Ringwood and Gordon; a person of unsound mind (G.S.), Baker, Ringwood and Gordon; Lyons v. Hughes, F. G. M'Keever; M'Guinness v. M'Cabe, Corr and O'Connor; Casey v. O'Donoghue, T. O'Neill; Sullivan v. Steede, C. Friery; Meldon v. Meldon, F. S. Smith. Master Macnamara at 11 o'clock. Exparte Taxations—Committee of Grangegorman Mental Hospital with Munster and Leinster Bank, Maxwell, Weldon and Co.; Committee of Grangegorman Mental Hospital to Greene, T. G. Greene; Loughrea Rural District Council to Hogan, Hogan and Shields.

RECEIVER'S OFFICE.—Mr. Dickinson, Examiner, at 11 o'clock Application for Directions—O'Neill v. Donohoe, from 4th inst. At 11.30 o'clock. Receiver's Accounts—National Bank v. Nugent, from 11th inst., Rooney and Co.; French v. Tydd, re-entry, J. H. Montgomery; Charles Lynch, re-entry, O'Kearney and Barrington; R. Culligan and others, from 18th inst., Killeen; Vaughan v. Huggard, F. and C. Downing; J. Johnston, adjd. till to-morrow, C. Lloyd and Son.

BANKRUPTCY.—Before the Chief Registrar at 11 o'clock—O'Reilly, vouch account, J. H. Dixon; White do., Collins and Son; arrangement, account comp., C. J. Murray; Mulligan, prove debts and vouch, W. V. Seddall; arrangement, prove debts, A. Cox and Co.; Flanagan, account comp., Hosna and Devine; arrangement, do., A. Cox and Co.; Peters, do., W. V. Seddall; arrangement, prove debts, J. W. Davis; do., account comp., do.; do., account comp. do.; do. do., Collins and Son; Mooney, do. do.; do., vouch mortgs. account, do.; arrangement, vouch account, do.; Dalton, do., Lynch and Deering; White, vouch mortgs. account, Collins and Son; arrangement, account comp., do.; do. do., Little and Cullen.

COURT OF THE RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.—Thursday, 1st January—In the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin, at 11 o'clock—In the matter of the Settlement of the Great Southern Railways Amalgamation Scheme, 1925.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.—Land Act, 1923. At 23 Upper Merrion street. Before Mr. Commissioner Hosna and Mr. Commissioner O'Shell at 11 o'clock. Objections to Provisional Lists of Lands. For Judgment—Estate of Dr. F. O. Swanson (E. 886); do. E. M. F. Boyle (E. 7), tenant, John S. Weir; do. Mary Brett (E. 479); do. Patrick Donegan (E. 997). At Examiners' Chambers. Before Mr. Stubbs at 2.30—Mary M. Sweetman (E.C. 9148). Before Mr. Franks at 2 o'clock—St. Clair M. Dobbs (E.C. 7838). Before Mr. Longfield at 11 o'clock—M. V. Blacker Douglas (E.C. 7468), discharge [illegible] and settle schedule. Before Mr. Lest at 11 o'clock—Edward Elliott Synge (E. 2001), discharge [illegible] and settle schedule. Before Mr. Brett at 3.15—Agnes M. Nicholson (E.C. 16532) (Moonan's rent), discharge rulings. Before Mr. Green, White at 11.30—Thomas M'Cormick and another (E.C. [illegible]), settle schedule.

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Mrs. Freney, 15 Portland Place, Dublin - - - -	6 0 0	
Miss S. Kingsman, 55 Bayview Avenue, North Strand, Dublin	6 0 0	
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Miss Martha Byrne, Sallins, Co. Kildare - - - -	2 10 0	
Miss Frances Hughes, 2 Charleston Road, Rathmines -	2 10 0	
Mrs. Moloney, 14 Longford Terrace, Monkstown - -	2 10 0	
A. O'Reilly, 11 Pleasants Street, Dublin - - - -	2 10 0	
Miss F. Rickaby, 2 Crofton Road Dun Laoghaire - -	2 10 0	
Miss L. Synnott, 9 Grangegorman, Dublin - - - -	2 10 0	
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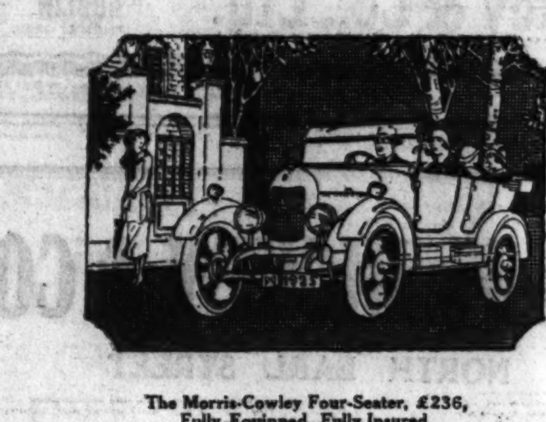

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WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL.

THE CLERK EXONERATED.

Mr. C. M. Byrne, T.D., presided yesterday at the meeting of the Wicklow County Council, when a letter was read from the Minister for Local Government with reference to a letter from the Council asking for an inquiry into the working of the Secretary's department. The Minister stated that he had received no reports reflecting adversely on the administration of the Secretary's offices. The Minister, therefore, did not consider that he would be justified in imposing on the county funds the expense incidental to such an inquiry, unless definite and serious complaints were formulated which *primâ facie* would justify such inquiry.

Mr. Doyle (Labour) said that Mr. Healy was a worthy and excellent official, and always had been ready to give any information that was needed by the Council.

CLOSE SEASON FOR HARES.

Mr. T. A. Morris, Secretary, Irish Coursing Club, applied to the South Tipperary County Council for a slight extension of the existing close season dates for hares, as the Irish Coursing Club proposes to hold the biggest coursing event ever held in Ireland at Powerstown Park in the second week in March next, subject to the consent of the County Council. It is proposed to close the season for hares from March 17th to October 1st in the Free State, and as this might become law before the meeting, the Irish Coursing Club asked for an extension. The extension was granted, subject to the approval of the Council's solicitor.

TRUE, BUT ALLITERATIVE.—Mr. J. Stanley Little, in a lecture read at a meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute, said:—"The magnificent structure of our Empire is menaced by pestiferous pedants and par-boiled pedagogues, by parochial particularists, pedestrian philosophers and parasitic paynims."

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All-Brass Curbs for Drawingroom, at 55/-, 45/-, and 35/-
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Tub-shape Armchair, in strong Fancy Wicker Work, at, each, 18/6, 15/6, and 12/6
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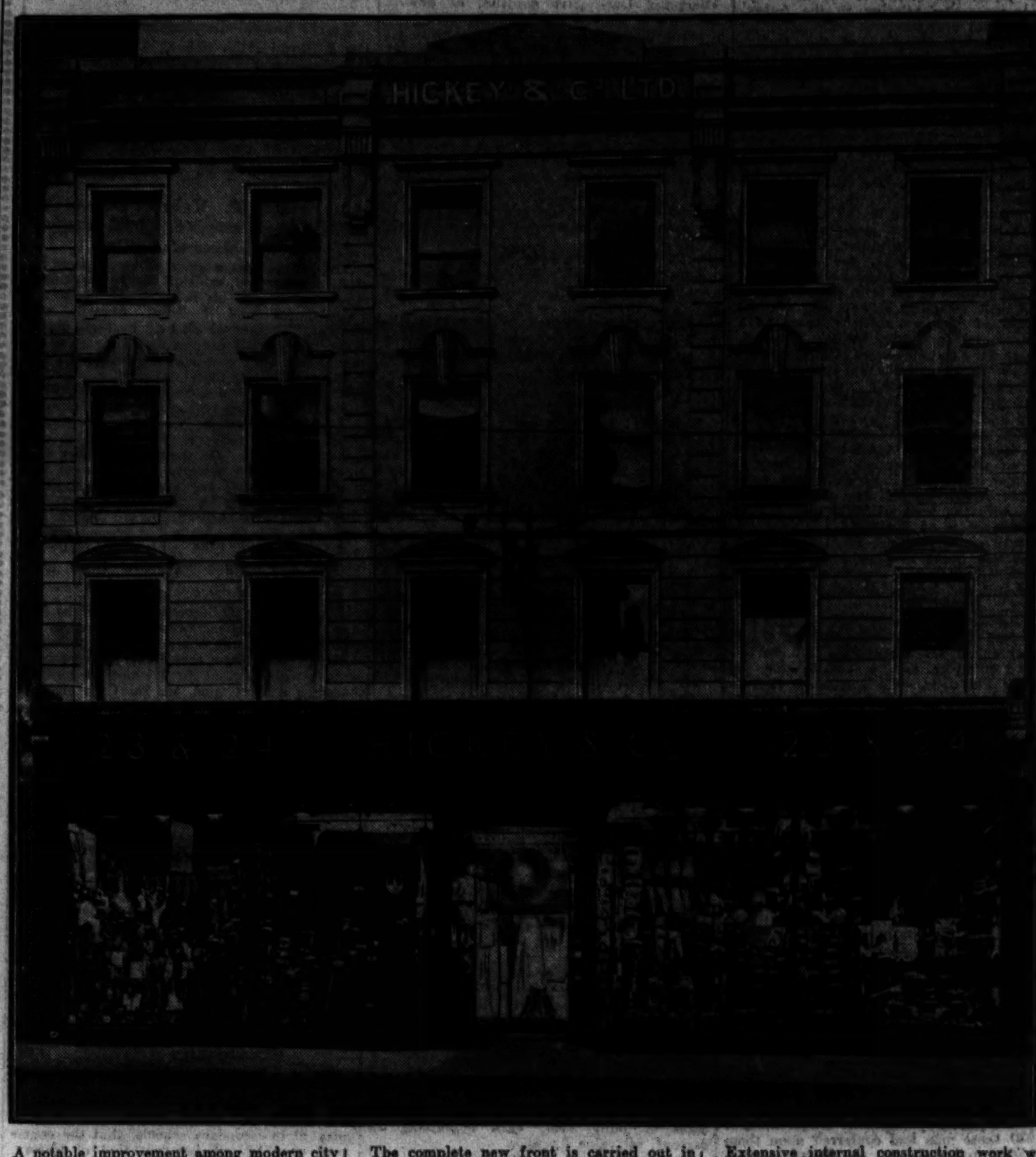
MESSRS. HICKEY AND CO.'S NEW FRONT IN NORTH EARL STREET.



A notable improvement among modern city business establishments is the new front which has just been completed for Messrs. Hickey and Co., Ltd., general drapers, outfitters, hosiers, milliners, costume and mantle manufacturers, house furnishers and boot merchants, 23 and 24 North Earl street.

The complete new front is carried out in brick and cement plaster, the work being done by Messrs. Geo. Rome and Co. (Dublin), Ltd., contractors, Mespil road, to the designs of Mr. Geo. L. O'Connor, F.R.I.A.I., architect, Mansion House Chambers, Dawson street.

Extensive internal construction work was also carried out by Messrs. Shortall and Co., Ltd., builders and shop fitters.

The completion of the alterations and improvements has enabled Messrs. Hickey to display to the best advantage a fine selection of goods for the Christmas season in every department of the house.

PLANS FOR NEW BUILDING WORKS IN DUBLIN.

Plans for the following new buildings and works of reconstruction were passed by the City Architect, Mr. Horace T. O'Rourke, during the two weeks ended 13th November, 1924, as follows:—

Vernon avenue, Clontarf (adjoining "Merchamp")—Bungalow—Mr. J. Rooney.

Vernon avenue, Clontarf (near junction of Seafield road)—Dwelling house—Mr. J. F. Hurley.

Howth road, Killester—Two shops—Mr. L. Ging.

Mount Prospect avenue (opposite Bedford Lodge)—Dwelling house—Mrs. Cash.

Townsend street (rear 54)—Dining room—The Irish Church Mission.

Peter street and Bride street (rear)—Extension of Boiler House—Messrs. Jacob and Co.

Hollybrook road, Clontarf (rear 64)—Shed—Mrs. McHugh.

Dorset street, Lower (rear 59)—Store—Mr. R. Clarke.

Finglas road, Glasnevin, 34—Alterations—Miss Ryan.

Dawson street, Royal Hibernian Hotel, 48-49—Alterations and additions.

Bow street Distillery—Garage, etc.—Messrs. John Jameson and Son, Ltd.

Mary's lane, 2—Rebuilding front wall—Mr. M. Fenlon.

Belvidere place (rear 20)—Garage—Mr. T. E. Greene.

Leeson street, Lower, 43—Addition—Miss M. O'Farrell.

West road—Recreation hut—St. Barnabas' Public Utility Society.

COMING EVENTS.

To-Night—Engineering and Scientific Association of Ireland—Annual Concert. At Metropole. 7.30 p.m.

To-morrow—Dublin Society of Model and Experimental Engineers—Model Night. Demonstration of Working Models under steam by Mr. R. D. Patterson, at workshop, rear 25 Lower Pembroke street, 7.45.

1925.

February 23-28—First Irish Wireless Exhibition—Antient Concert Rooms.

March 3-14—Building Trades Exhibition—Manchester.

March 9-14—International Grocers' and Allied Trades Exhibition—Dublin.

Mar. 30 to April 4, 1925—International Chemists' Exhibition, Dublin.

August 17—International Toy and Fancy Goods Fair, Dublin.

TEMPORARY HOUSES IN DUBLIN FOR £176 10s.

The Dublin City Commissioners, having received the approval of the Minister for Local Government to the erection of temporary dwellings inside the eastern boundary wall of Keogh Barracks, advertised and received the following tenders:—

Name	Type "A."	Type "B."
J. Pemberton and Sons	£208 11/-	£204 5/6
H. & J. Martin & Co.	176 10/-	179 10/-
W. H. Goulding ...	200 0/0	175 0/0
P. J. Watchorn	207 5/6	198 10/6
H. C. McNally ...	241 11/3	218 15/-
Messrs. Humphreys ..	306 10/-	298 6/8

Each of the dwellings proposed contains living room, two bedrooms, scullery, and w.c. The plans show no difference in the accommodation afforded, but type B shows the sanitary arrangement in front. On the advice of the City Architect the tender of Messrs. H. and J. Martin for type A at £176 10s. per dwelling was accepted. This price provides for asbestos tile roofing in lieu of corrugated asbestos roofing.

Twenty-four of these dwellings are to be erected at once.

Thurles Rural District Council accepted the tender of Mr. Matthew Lambe for the erection of a cottage at Ballycurrane at £291, and that of Mr. Jas. Maher for the erection of a cottage at Killough at £317.

DUBLIN COUNTY SURVEYOR ON MODERN ROAD TRAFFIC CONSTRUCTION AND COST.

Mr. J. A. Ryan, B.A., B.E., M.Inst.C.E.I., County Surveyor, has submitted to the Dublin County Council an interesting report dealing with various aspects of modern road traffic and road construction.

The basis of the County Surveyor's report is a census of traffic taken from 22nd to 28th July last on the ten trunk roads leading out of Dublin. In his report to the Council covering the traffic census statistics Mr. Ryan says:—

"These figures, in my opinion, reveal the following facts:—

(1.) Increase in traffic in tons by an average of about 260 per cent.

(2.) That this increase is wholly due to mechanically propelled traffic.

(3.) That traffic formerly carried by railways has now been diverted to roads.

(4.) That the measure of damage caused to the road is not commensurate with the increase in tonnage carried, as the speed of the traffic must be taken into consideration.

(5.) 'Bus routes have been established over nearly all roads, and, in my opinion, this form of traffic will increase.

(6.) To carry modern traffic the roads must be constructed in some modern form of modern construction.

(7.) That as the increased damage to the roads is caused by mechanically propelled traffic, this form of traffic should pay for the increased cost: it will be noticed that on roads where census was taken at the boundary a large proportion of the total traffic was "through" traffic.

(8.) That periodic census of traffic should be taken on all principal routes in the country.

Having given some of the points of interest which arise out of this Traffic Census Return, I beg to briefly state my views.

Dublin-Bray Road at Donnybrook.

(1.) Increase in Traffic—

Taking the statistics of the first road on the list—the Dublin-Bray road at Donnybrook, herewith are some figures of interest:—

Average number per day of	Mar. 1913.	July, 1924.
Motor Cars	255	1019
" Lorries	1.2	206
" Omnibus	Nil.	43
Horse Drawn	758	202

Dublin-Balbrigan Road at Drumcondra.

Average number per day of	Sept., 1911.	July, 1924.
Motor Cars	69	334
" Omnibus	Nil.	31.0
" Lorries	1.7	126.5
Horse Drawn	465	197.

These figures show, when taken in conjunction with the decline in horse drawn traffic, that the nature of the traffic of these roads has greatly changed, and that the slow moving iron shod wheel traffic has been superseded by the fast moving rubber tyred wheels.

(3.) "That the traffic formerly carried by the railways has become diverted to the roads."

There is a good system of rail transport in the country, and there is no reason why this form of transport should not be greatly cheaper than road transport.

I understand that in estimating freight charges on railways an amount to cover "road charges" is included, and I am informed that this is somewhere about 1½d. per ton mile; take a 5-ton motor lorry, paying £30 a year road tax, and travelling, say 6,000 miles per annum, would pay an average of 1-1/5th penny per mile, or about ¼d. per ton mile, not taking into account the weight of the lorry itself.

This is an absolutely inadequate charge if the tax imposed is supposed to represent the amount of damage caused to the roads, and in no way represents the financial obligation of the owners of motor lorries to the Road Authorities.

DAMAGE BY SPEED.

(4.) "Measure of damage caused by Motor Vehicles."

The damage caused to the road cannot be estimated by the increased weight carried; the speed of the vehicles must be taken into consideration, as the damage caused is the result of two factors—first, the weight of the vehicles, and, secondly, the speed of the vehicles, the latter being the greater destructive agency, as the damage is proportional to the square of the speed of the vehicle—thus, a lorry travelling at 20 miles per hour will, in my opinion, do four times the damage caused by a vehicle travelling at 10 miles per hour.

(5.) 'Bus Routes.

Passenger-carrying 'buses are plying on most of your important roads, and, whilst recognising that a 'bus service is a great boon to the residents of certain districts, still, I view with alarm the cost of upkeep of roads to withstand this form of traffic.

The speed at which these 'buses travel is far too great. I have evidence of 'buses travelling at a speed of 25 miles per hour on a soft, water-bound macadam road.

The Council will recognise that the 'bus system recently introduced has come to stay, and that a great increase in this form of traffic may be expected.

(6.) Modern Roads.

From the foregoing it will be admitted that the old forms of road construction are no longer suitable for modern traffic. Roads must be built to withstand the demands of modern traffic at a greatly increased cost, and the provision of the large sums of money required for this work must be found elsewhere than in the pockets of the rural ratepayer. The ways and means of providing these moneys is outside the scope of this report, but at the same time it is of great importance to those whom the Council represents.

BIG SCHEME OF RECONSTRUCTION.

The Council are aware that they have at present in hands a big scheme for the reconstruction of the trunk routes, but it will take several years and an enormous amount of money before all the principal roads of this county are reconstructed to meet the traffic using them.

(7.) Through Traffic.

The figures shown in the attached census returns show that on each road a large amount of the traffic is "through" traffic. Dublin, being the hub, attracts traffic from all parts of Ireland, and the amount of moneys collected by the Council for the motor taxation account in no way represents the number of vehicles utilising the Co. Dublin roads.

I am convinced that the Dublin Co. Council, for the above stated reason, are entitled to a much larger proportion of the Road Fund Grant than has been allocated, and representation should, in my opinion, be made to the Ministry of Local Government, pointing out the exceptional position of County Dublin as regards traffic.

Name of Road	Census Point	STATISTICS—JULY, 1924: Average weight per day, Mechanical Propelled Traffic	Average Weight per day, Horse-Drawn Traffic	Percentage of Mechanical Traffic	Percentage of Horse-Drawn Traffic	Average Weight per day	FORMER STATISTICS: Average Weight per Day Horse-Drawn Traffic	Average Weight per Day Mechanical Traffic	Average Weight per Day TOTAL	Increase in Traffic	Percentage of Increase in Traffic	Date of Former Census
		Tons	Tons			Tons	Tons	Tons		Tons		
Dublin	Donnybrook	3355	165	95.3	4.7	3520	559	532	1091	2429	223%	1913
Bray	Old Connaught	3317	237	93.3	6.7	3554						1921
Dublin Balbriggan	Whitehall	1659	470	78.0	22.0	2129	482	127	619	1510	244%	1911
	Swords	1160	148	88.7	11.3	1308						
" "	Kn'kna'in & Swords	537	30	94.7	5.3	567	80	188	268	299	112%	
Dublin Naas	Red Cow	1666	243	87.3	12.7	1909	310	79	389	1520	390%	1912
	Bla'kchurch	1202	35	97.2	2.8	1237	No Former Statistics Available.					
Dublin Killiney Stradbrook	Stradbrook	1428	202	87.6	12.4	1630	470	606	1076	554	51%	1912
Dublin Leixlip	Chapelizod	1438	176	89.0	11.0	1614	118	77	195	1419	727%	1912
	Lucan	1604	182	90.0	10.0	1786	No Former Statistics Available.					
Dublin Ashbourne	Finglas	793	414	65.7	34.3	1207	590	60	650	557	86%	1921
	Ward	456	129	77.9	22.1	585	No Former Statistics Available.					
Dublin Howth	Killester	988	125	88.8	11.2	1113	No Former Statistics Available.					
Dublin Blessington	Templeogue	734	294	71.4	28.6	1028	No Former Statistics Available.					
	Embankm't	343	70	83.0	17.0	413	"	"	"			
Dublin Scalp	Dundrum	849	216	79.7	20.3	1065						
	Golden Ball	876	122	87.7	12.3	998	No Former Statistics Available.					
Dublin Navan	Ashtown	713	232	75.4	24.6	945	136	139	275	670	244%	1912
	Mulhuddart	494	20	96.0	4.0	514	No Former Statistics Available.					

NEW MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS FOR CORK.

TENDERS EXCEED AMOUNT OF DECREE.

The Commissioner for the County Borough of Cork (Mr. Philip Monaghan) had before him on 6th December six tenders for the erection of Municipal Buildings. They were as follow:—

(1) John Sisk and Son, builders, Cork, £65,980.

(2) Jeremiah Murphy, North Abbey street, Cork, £66,706.

(3) Alexander Hall and Co., Dublin, £61,507.

(4) Meagher and Hayes, Cork, £70,962 15s. 6d.

(5) Maguire and Short, Mulgrave road, Cork, £61,033 7s. 10d.; and

John Hearne and Son, Waterford, £72,453.

The Commissioner said that he was not prepared to go beyond the amount of the decree, which was £58,000.

After consultation, it was agreed that Messrs. Jones and Kelly, the architects, and Mr. O'Connell, the quantity surveyor, who were present, should modify the plans and specification to such an extent as to bring the figure within the limits desired. They are to consult with the firm that sent in the lowest tender, Messrs. Maguire and Short, and if the modified figure satisfies the Commissioner, the tender of Messrs. Maguire and Short will be accepted.

PROPOSAL TO SPEND COMPENSATION ON HOUSES.

A few days later the Commissioner, Mr. Monaghan, published a letter he had sent to the Ministry of Local Government, stating that he had decided not to proceed with the reconstruction of the Municipal Buildings at present, as it was not easy to justify the expenditure of £58,000 in luxury building where no money was available for housing. He proposed to utilise the amount of the decree to build a hundred houses, and submitted the following statement:—

Money Available for Housing in Cork if Ministry Sanctions Proposals.

(1) Amount of decree for reconstruction	£58,000
(2) Amount of decree for furniture, etc.	£15,276
(3) Interest on both from Jan. 1st, 1924	£3,663
Total	£76,939

Proposed Expenditure.

100 houses at £650 per house.........	£65,000
Less grant under Building Facilities Act, 1924	9,000
Cost to Corporation	£56,000
Balance still remaining	£20,939

Utilisation of this balance for purpose of Building Facilities Act, 1924, would enable Corporation to offer free grants of £90 per house, in addition to free Government grant for 240 houses.

If this proposal is sanctioned it is difficult to see why a total of 340 houses should not be built in Cork next year. The only doubtful question is whether more houses might not be built by lessening the number built by Corporation, and increasing the number of houses for which free grants are to be given.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS PLACED.

During the month of November, 1924, the following contracts were entered into by the Commissioners of Public Works:—

Army Supplies Department, Island Bridge—Supply of 100 steelyards. W. and T. Avery, Ltd., 33 Capel street, Dublin.

Ballincollig Civic Guard Station, Co. Cork—Restoration. Richard Conroy, 118 Gardiner's Hill, Cork.

Bansha Civic Guard Station, Co. Tipperary—Restoration. Barry and Cavanagh, James street, Tipperary.

Civic Guard Depot, Phœnix Park—Alterations and improvements to the Riding School. G. W. Scott and Co., Ltd., 26 Usher's quay, Dublin.

Dublin District—Periodical contract for electrical works and supplies. Handley and Robinson, Ltd., 51b Dawson street, Dublin.

Griffith Military Barracks, Dublin—Alterations and improvements. J. F. Keatinge and Sons, 42 Grafton street, Dublin.

Leinster House, Dail Chamber—Supply of 186 framed seats and a series of desks. James Hicks, 5 Lower Pembroke street, Dublin.

Lisdoonvarna ex-R.I.C. Barracks, Co. Clare—Restoration. D. O'Sullivan and Sons, 25 O'Curry street, Limerick.

Newmarket National School, Co. Kilkenny—Erection and furnishing. P. Long, Ballyhale, Co. Kilkenny.

"WHITE LEAD" PAINT PROSECUTION.

At the Guildhall, London, Messrs. Langton Jones and Samuel Smith, Limited, of Compton Works, Weston street, Bow-common, were summoned for having on October 23 unlawfully applied a certain false trade description—"White lead"—to a mixture of sulphate of baryta and other substances; also for having sold goods to which such false trade description had been applied.

Mr. Trevor Watson said the prosecution was undertaken by the White Lead Section of the London Chamber of Commerce. No one was entitled to call as white lead or white-lead paint any substance which was not made principally from pure white lead. The Chamber of Commerce, with the consent of the Court, had decided to withdraw the prosecution on certain terms which had been agreed upon. These included a provision as to costs, and also an undertaking by the defendants that they would not sell as white lead the particular substance they were putting on the market, would withdraw all the labels they had been using, and would supply their retailers with others that had been approved by the prosecution.

Mr. Walter Frampton, for the defendants, said they were a highly reputable company. Knowing that there was a demand for something between white paint destitute of white lead and that which consisted chiefly of white lead, they put on the market in August last year a substance they called "Signpost special white lead paint." They never intended to mislead anyone. In January this year, having had some correspondence with the London Chamber of Commerce, they took advice, in consequence of which they felt they were doing nothing wrong. It was not till three months ago that the matter was revived by the Chamber of Commerce.

Since October last a judgment had been delivered in the Divisional Court which laid it down that in prosecutions under the Act it was not a sufficient answer to show that the defendants acted innocently. Therefore, all the prosecution had to prove was that the defendants used a description that was calculated to mislead. That being the very last thing his clients desired to do, they took further advice and gave the undertaking already referred to.

Alderman Sir Charles Johnston, in allowing the summonses to be withdrawn, said he thought both sides had exercised a wise discretion.

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BOOT and Shoe Finishing Machine, by British United Shoe Machinery Co.; in good working order. Auction at 49 Middle Abbey street, Thursday next.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Dublin. 11 D

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FOR Sale, brand new Kirchner, Horizontal 48"; 10 h.p. Marshall Portable Steam Engine; 6 h.p. Marshall Tractor; several Saw Benches. Particulars and prices from "S 76, Machinery," this office. 17 F

FORDSON Tractor for Sale, very little used, guaranteed as good as new; price £70, or nearest offer. Apply "S 67, Tractor," this office. 17 F

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PLANING Machine Wanted; low price; full particulars.—D 1481, this office.

REQUIRE Secondhand Fordson or other Tractor.—Thompson, Shaw street, Dublin. 16 F

UNSOLD at Auction, several Sheds, some with Belfast Principals 40' span; also a number of Engineering and Woodworking Machines; will be sold at very low prices to avoid removal.—Thomas Archer, New Wapping street, North Wall, Dublin. 15 D

UNSOLD at Auction—8 h.p. "Burrell" Tractor, 2 Portable Steam Engines and Boilers, new Saw Dust and Wood Refuse Furnace for portable or semi-portable boilers; all above will be sold at very low prices to avoid second removal cost.—Thomas Archer, New Wapping street, North Wall, Dublin. 17 A

UNSOLD at Auction—New "Eureka" Spindle Moulder, new Fret Sawing Machine, secondhand Planing and Moulding Machine, new Rack Bench, 18ft. Table, will take 3ft. saw; 40" Circular Saw Bench, roller feed, by McDowell. All the above will be sold at very low prices to avoid cost of removal. Thomas Archer, New Wapping street, North Wall, Dublin. 17 A

WANTED, Traction Engine, hire or purchase; state maker's name, condition and price.—D 1317, this office. 14 D

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Ladies' Gauntlet Gloves, in best quality Degrain, strap wrist, wool lined, fur top, all sizes; colours Grey and Brown. Price... 9/6
Ladies' Gauntlet Gloves, in strong quality Tan Nappa, elastic wrist, wool lined, deep fur top, all sizes. Special Price 9/6
Other Prices, 10/6 and 14/6.
Ladies' Gauntlet Gloves, in lovely quality Doeskin, wool lined, fur top and fur cuff. Price 12/11
Special Value in Ladies' Tan Nappa Gloves, extra strong. Special Price 3/11
Ladies' Rabbit Skunk Fur Back Gloves, leather palm, wool lined, all sizes. Special Price ... 10/6
Ladies' Gauntlet Gloves, Tan and Grey Mocha, deep fur cuff, wool lined, all sizes. Price 15/6
Special Line of Children's Best quality Tan Nappa Gloves, lined wool. Our Price 3/11
Also with fur top. Prices, 5/6 and 5/11.
Gent.'s Tan Mocha Gloves, wool lined. Special Price 8/11

Ladies' Umbrellas
Large Stock of Ladies', latest designs, silken wool covers, Paragon frames, straight handles. Prices, 21/-, 12/6, 10/6, 9/6, 8/11, down to 6/11

Dainty Blouse of very good quality Crepe-de-Chine, with smart roll collar of lace; shades Pink, Rose, and Champagne. Similar styles from 15/11

Special All Wool Cardigan, shades Fawn, Rose, Cinnamon, Nigger. Prices from 19/11, 14/11, 11/6 8/6

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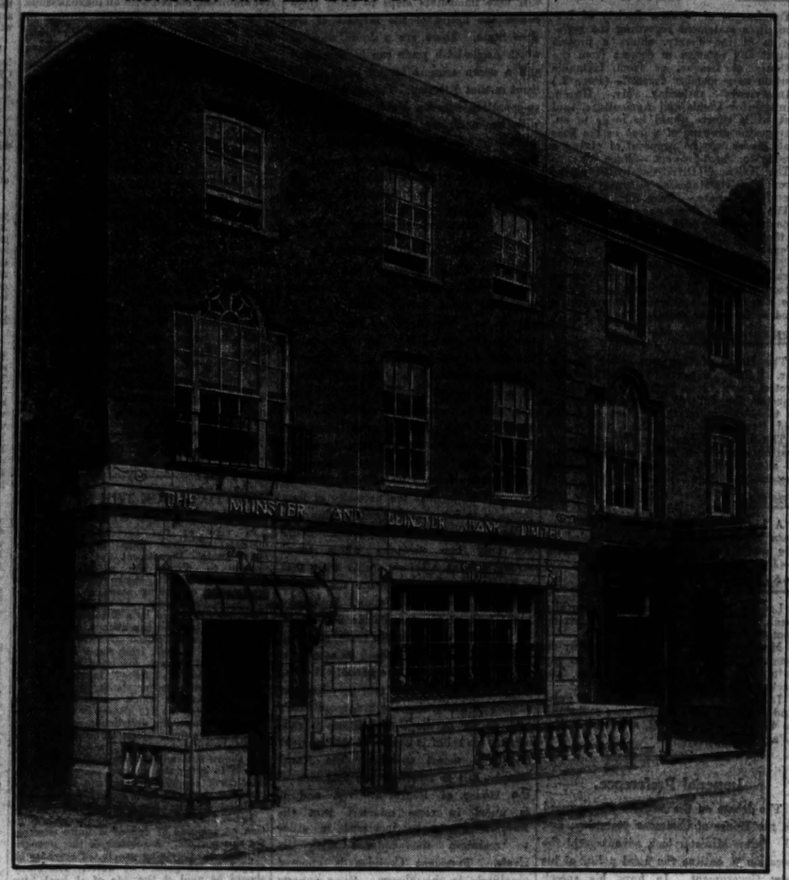

These premises have been reconstructed and occupied for some time.

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The bank fittings were executed by Messrs. Thomas Mackey and Sons, of Dublin.

The heating by Messrs. M. Barry and Son, Cork.

The wrought ironwork was done by Messrs. J. and C. McGloughlin, Ltd., of Dublin, and Messrs. John Buckley and Sons, of Cork.

Mr. Henry H. Hill was the architect.

TENDERS WANTED.

By Mr. Henry H. Hill, B.A., A.R.I.B.A., 22 George's street, Cork, by 20th December, for the building and shop fitting of new premises for Messrs. Cash and Co., Ltd., 18-21 Patrick street, Cork.

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By the Secretary Roche's Stores, Ltd., by 23rd December, for the building of new premises at 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 Patrick street, Cork.

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By Government of Northern Ireland, by 23rd December, for alterations, repairs, decorations, etc., at Hillsborough Castle, Co. Down, the new official residence for His Grace the Governor.

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By Commissioners of Public Works, by 29th December, for repairs and alterations to office of Irish Land Commission, Upper Merrion street.

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By J. Quinnell and Sons, Ltd., for new printing works at Tralee.

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By Westmeath County Council, by 2nd January, for repairs to Rathowen House.

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By Dublin Borough Commissioners, by 29th December, for painting Corporation dwellings.

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By Athlunkard Boat Club, Limerick, by 19th December, for the erection of a new club premises.

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By Mr. H. A. Croghan, B.E., Cavan, by 20th December, for the reconstruction of Kilcogy Barracks.

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By Messrs. R. P. Gill and Son, Nenagh, by 31st December, for the rebuilding of Castletowney National School.

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By Mr. John McEntyre, architect, Letterkenny, by 22nd December, for the erection of five houses there.

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By Rev. Patrick Gilchreest, P.P., Laragh, Stradone, by 22nd December, for erecting a new school at Tierlahood.

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By Commissioners of Public Works, by 2nd January, for restoration of Clonavan ex-R.I.C. Barrack, Co. Wexford.

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By Louth County Board of Health, by 6th January, for extensions and alterations to the District Hospital, Ardee.

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By Dublin Commissioners, by 29th December, for laying a reinforced concrete carriageway in portion of Barrow street.

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By Dublin Commissioners, by 31st December, for additions and alterations to St. Patrick's Convent, Pellestown, Cabra.

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By Commissioners of Public Works, by 19th December, for internal and external painting works at the Curragh Camp.

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By Commissioners of Public Works, by 19th December, for enlarging Rosmuck National School, Co. Galway, and by 2nd January for enlarging Moylough National School, Co. Sligo.

The Council of the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland has elected Messrs. John McArdle, J. P. Martin, and J. H. Williams members of the Institute. The Board of Examiners reported that the following had passed in the recent examination for admission to the Institute as students:—Mr. P. C. Martin, Miss Kathleen M. Carroll, Messrs. R. V. Millar, A. F. Lucy, J. H. Watson, and B. L. Burgess. Mr. Conor MacGinley, B.Arch., was admitted to the studentship class without examination.

RECONSTRUCTING PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

£23,885 IN GOVERNMENT GRANTS.

		£
To-day's award		23,885
In our issue of 23rd Oct., 1924		10,939
" 14th Aug., 1924		8,160
" 17th July, 1924		5,550
" 19th June, 1924		9,570
" 5th June, 1924		12,500
" 8th May, 1924		8,985
" 10th April, 1924		4,850
" 20th Mar., 1924		11,132
" 21st Feb., 1924		127,780
" 24th Jan., 1924		68,000
" 13th Dec., 1923		43,000
" 15th Nov., 1923		70,000
" 19th Oct., 1923		73,000
" 6th Sept., 1923		38,000
" 26th July, 1923		100,000
" 12th July, 1923		86,000
" 3rd May, 1923		63,000
" 5th April, 1923		29,000
" 8th Mar., 1923		46,000
" 18th Jan., 1923		112,000
" 14th Dec., 1922		170,000
" 30th Nov., 1922		97,000
" 7th Sept., 1922		30,000
Total		£1,254,390

The Compensation (Ireland) Commission has made a further series of awards under the Criminal and Malicious Injuries (Ireland) Acts, and the Free State Government announces that they will now proceed to pay the following sums.

Where compensation is made in respect of damaged buildings the Commissioners stipulate that a specified sum must be spent in reinstatement of structure. These amounts are shown in the following table:—

	Total awards.	Amounts which must be spent in rebuilding.
COUNTY CORK.		
Cork County Council, Courthouse, Skibbereen	2,850	2,400
Cork County Council, Courthouse, Clonakilty	3,050	2,600
Cork County Council, Courthouse, Bantry	3,050	2,600
COUNTY DONEGAL.		
Hugh T. Warnock (High Sheriff), and by amendment Hugh T. Colhoun (High Sheriff), and by further amendment Sir R. Newman P. Chambers (High Sheriff), Courthouse, Carndonagh	2,600	2,600
Hugh T. Warnock and others, Courthouse, Buncrana	2,300	2,200
Hugh T. Warnock and others, Courthouse, Dunfanaghy	3,000	3,000
COUNTY GALWAY.		
Bartley King, Market Square, Clifden	3,150	1,300
COUNTY KILKENNY.		
William Brett, Inch Row, Mills Hey, Abraham Browning and others, Trustees of the Convent Irish, Callen	150	100
COUNTY LIMERICK.	1,500	1,200
Ireltirm County Council, Ballinamore	5,315 4/8	3,000
COUNTY LIMERICK.		
Rathkeale District Council, Shanagolden	100	60
COUNTY MAYO.		
Miss Lena Ganley, Killatore, Ballyhaunis	225	175
COUNTY TIPPERARY.		
Marion Tobin, Tincurry House, Gabir	5,700 1/6	2,000
Bryan Shanahan, Grantstown, Kilfeigh	375	200
CORK BOROUGH.		
Cross	50	30
William O'Hara, Dillon's		

DUBLIN NOTES.

The introduction of a modern water and sanitary system to the town of Skerries is being spoken of.

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To-day the Dublin County Council will appoint an assistant county surveyor at a salary of £300, rising to £350, with travelling expenses.

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Professor Abercrombie, the famous town-planning expert, was for some time engaged in consideration, with the City Commissioners of the preliminaries of town-planning for Dublin. The Professor came to the city on the invitation of the Commissioners.

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Annesley Bridge across the Tolka is to be replaced by a more modern structure at a cost of £14,000. The new bridge will be a three-span steel structure, carried on concrete piles, and will be eighty feet wide between the parapets.

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The Royal Dublin Society have plans prepared for the remodelling of parts of their Ballsbridge premises and the construction of additional buildings there to accommodate the entire work of the Society. The Free State Government propose to pay the Society £68,000 compensation for the loss sustained by their ejection from Leinster House.

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Messrs. Comyn, Ching and Co., Ltd., of Little Saint Andrew's street, London, W.C.2, announce that they have opened a branch office and showrooms at 16 South Frederick street, Dublin, where a wide display of metal work and hardware of every description can be inspected. Their current catalogue can be obtained on application.

ITEMS

Rathdrum District Council is to proceed with a water supply scheme at a cost of £7,130.

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Mr. Sheehy, C.E., Limerick, has been elected engineer to Newcastle West District Council.

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Limerick Corporation has received sanction to borrow £13,200 under the Housing (Building Facilities) Acts.

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Clogher Rural Council is to proceed with a scheme costing £1,200 for improving Aughnacloy water supply.

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Longhrea District Council has received sanction to their proposal to borrow £1,400 for a sewage scheme for the town.

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Dungannon Urban Council have accepted the tender of Messrs Patton and Sons at £321 for the erection of sheds and screens at markets.

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Navan Urban Council accepted the tender of Mr. Patrick Coldrick at £125 for the extension of sewage and water mains at Abbeylands.

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Monaghan County Board of Health has decided to ask a loan of £7,500 for converting Castleblayney Workhouse into a county home.

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Sligo County Council has instructed the County Surveyor to prepare plans and specifications for putting the courthouses at Sligo, Ballymote, and Easkey in repair.

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Newry Urban District Council invite chartered electrical engineers to state their terms for preparing, formulating, and supervising the carrying out of a municipal electricity supply scheme for Newry Urban District.

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A public meeting at Donegal appointed a committee to co-operate with the officials of the County Council with a view to having incorporated a Town Hall with the Donegal Courthouse, now to be rebuilt, following a Government grant of £3,000.

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Cork County Council appointed Mr. M. J. Bennett, Clonakilty, as assistant surveyor in the Clonakilty district and Mr. James O'Mahony, Whitegate, as temporary assistant surveyor in Skibbereen district.

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Fermanagh County Hospital Committee has prepared a scheme for the erection of new wards, laundry, and nursing home, and the abolition of the existing workhouse hospitals. One large hospital in Enniskillen is to meet the needs of the whole county, and the County Council is asked to borrow £15,000.

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Clonakilty District Council has asked for permission to borrow £8,000 for the purpose of erecting ten of the 31 cottages sanctioned in 1914. The scheme was abandoned then owing to the outbreak of the war. The plots have been bought and fenced, and the Engineer estimates that the cost per cottage will not exceed £300.

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Five tenders were received at the meeting of the Sligo Corporation for the painting of the Town Hall—E. Langan, Sligo, £226; John Muldrun and Sons, Sligo, £160; M. Farrell, £235; John Kivlehan, £145, and B. Mullen, £117. Mr. Kivlehan's tender, as the lowest for the work according to the architect's specification, was accepted.

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At Galway Urban Council tenders for carrying out sewerage work at Presentation road were received from the following:—Robert Macdonald, £110; Martin Feeney, £170; Malachy Hanley, £232. The borough engineer's estimate for the work was £100. Mr. Macdonald's tender was accepted.

For the erection of a wall to enclose the west side of South Park, the following tendered:—Michael Griffin, £230; T. Emerson, £263; Patrick Dooley, £213; W. Simon, £175; Martin Feeney, £313; A. Conboy, £200. The tender of Mr. Simons, being the lowest, was accepted.

DILUTION OF BUILDING LABOUR.

Belfast Corporation decided to ask the Government of Northern Ireland to take steps to summon a conference of representatives of the Government, the Corporation, and the Trades Executives to consider methods for expediting building operations. Alderman Jamison said he was glad to see that there was something concrete in view in regard to the suggestion made by him on 1st November regarding the dilution of labour in the building of houses. He was glad the Corporation had been assisted by the deputation which had appeared that morning before the Housing Committee, and he suggested that representatives of the deputation of unemployed ex-Service men should be called into the coming conference.

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WAKEFIELD.—Christmas Market.—340 cattle and 1,000 sheep with good trade at firm prices. Beef best 51/4, few 5/-; two exceptional 10/6. Mr. 11d., inferior, 4d. to 5d.; best heifer fully 1/6, steps 1/3 to 1/5, closer quality 4d. to 4½.

EDINBURGH.—Good show of store sheep for season; trade fair. Half-bred hoggets, to 47/-; cross Downs, 55/-. Cattle: Aberdeen trade easier; polled bullocks to 44/-, steer to 41/6, Cumberland cows to 34/-.

GLASGOW.—Smaller supplies of both cattle and sheep. Best qualities were in good demand, but other descriptions were difficult to sell. Top Scotch cattle 74/-, secondary, 60/- to 68/-; top Irish 50/-; few 54/-. Best hoggets 1/41 to 1/5, wos 11d. to 1/1, lambs 1/9 to 1/7½.

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES.—BALTIC.—WHEAT cargo market firm, with a good demand for white sorts. The Carlton, 7,400 tons New South Wales Jan.-Feb. sold 64/6, 7,000 tons ditto January 64/3; the Nydie, 6,250 tons ditto February 1st loading at 64/7½, 6,800 tons choice white Karachi February at 45/9; the San Francisco Maru, consisting 9,376 tons white Western Pacific and 1,233 soft white ditto, November 10 does 63/7½, Hoskie 64/6½, January-February sellers 64/-. Parcels firm; No. 1 Northern Manitoba, December-January sold 66/6, January-February 64/6, February-March 63/6, choice white Karachi May-June does 59/10½ per 480lbs. MAIZE firmer, with good demand. Plate steamer sellers 48/-, December-January 47/-, January-February 46/-. Parcels of Plate afloat sold 45/6, December-January 45/9 to 46/-, January-February 47/6 per 480lbs. BARLEY dull and nominal. OATS steady. Plate 34/6, afloat sellers 34/-, January-February 37/- per 336lbs.

MARK LANE CORN.—Firmer conditions prevailed at the mid-weekly markets, values being dearer in most instances in sympathy with higher foreign offers, but business proceeded quietly, as only a small number of buyers present. WHEAT firmer; No. 1 Northern Manitoba quoted 70/-, No. 2 hard winter 67/-; choice white Karachi 64/-, all per 480lbs.; English 64/- to 12/4 per 112lbs. f.o.r. FLOUR firm; London standard straight run quoted 62/-, patents 54/- to 55/-, town whites 52/-, per sack, delivered in London area. Imported quiet; Manitoba lungs from 50/- to 52/6 as to quality, Minneapolis 50/- to 51/-, and Australian 47/6, all per 280lbs. BARLEY quiet; Californian quoted 66/- to 71/-, Chilean Cleviolet 84/- to 87/-, Polish ex store 60/- to 68/- per 448lbs.; No. 3 Canadian Western ex ship 41/3, No. 4 ditto 39/3, landed 41/3; American barley (48lbs.) ex ship 50/3, landed 41/3 per 400lbs.; English ranges from 10/9 to 20/- per 112lbs. Last MAIZE firmer; Plate ex ship quoted 45/3, ditto landed 41/3, and Odessa in later position 45/3 per 400lbs. Oats firmer for Canadian; Plate ex ship quoted 20/-, ditto landed 20/-; No. 2 Canadian Western ex ship 34/6, ditto landed 33/3; American white clipped, 35lbs., landed 31/-, all per 320lbs.; English 9/- to 10/4 per 312lbs. f.o.r. MILLERS' OFFALS, steady. Broad bran quoted 9/-, middlings 9/6, fine ditto 12/-, bags included, at mill; powdered oat husks 8/9, fed oatmeal 10/9, ground oats 13/9, all per cwt. f.o.r. OATMEAL firmer: London made quoted 20/6, rolled oats 20/-; medium, also fine oats 20/-, coarse and pinhead pinhead 20/-, ordinary Scottish oatmeal 20/- to 21/6, American and Canadian rolled oats 21/- per cwt.

LIVERPOOL.—The sharp rise in America and bullish Australian crop accounts caused forward deliveries of WHEAT here to show a further liberal advance at the commencement of operations, but with a less active demand for actual wheat values afterwards receded under a natural reaction, and fluctuated moderately, finishing at a fair advance on the day, with late afternoon cable encouraging. C.i.f. parcels dearer but less active, choice white Karachi May-June at 59/9 per quarter being the only business reported. C.i.f. parcels of MAIZE considerably dearer on strong Argentine cables: River Plate December-January realised 45/6 to 46/-, and January-February 47/6 to 47/7½ per quarter. Wheat on the spot was firm at higher prices. Maize spot parcels of River Plate were at considerably higher prices of 2/- to 2/6, and Russian also dearer at 10/6 to 10/9 and Roumanian 10/10 per cental. FLOUR firmly held at late rates. Ground wheat features opened 1/6 to 1/6 per cental dearer, then receded with moderate fluctuations, the market eventually closing steady at ¼ to ½d. advance on the day. Maize opened steady, unaltered to ¼d. higher, and closed 2½ to 3d. per cental over last night.

GLASGOW.—Wheat firm at 1/- per quarter higher, but buyers are holding for fuller advices, and trading continues quiet. No. 1 Manitoba 67/6 arrived. Maize trading dearer in all positions, and rather better spot demand. Only imported kinds in small request. Barley quotations dearer for all types, and enquiry with more enquiry. Flour values again higher, but business disappointingly slow.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL.—Irish and Danish BACON continues firm at unchanged prices, but buyers operate more cautiously, and only a moderate business reported. Canadian Wiltshires firm, but quiet and unaltered. The market for American bacon here again rules quiet at recent currencies for singed Wiltshires and Cumberlands, arrivals at this port again being on a liberal scale, with long stocks and bacon backs still nominal in the absence of offerings. HAMS quiet and in free offering, with long cut sellers at 112/- to 112/- per cwt. Shoulders quiet for squares at late rates, while New York are now on sale at 78/- per cwt., but picnics still nominal in the absence of supplies. LARD on the spot firm and held for about 1/- per cwt. advance owing to the sharp advance in Chicago, but only a moderate trade results. Prime steam now 87/6 to 88/6 and American refined 87/6 to 88/6 per cwt. CHEESE firm and in fair request for Canadian at the recent advance, while New Zealand is now raised to 96/- to 98/- per cwt. BUTTER firm with a moderate demand, and New Zealand 1/- dearer at 210/- to 213/- per cwt. EGGS quiet at 25/- to 26/- for Irish hen and 104/- to 106/- per 120 Egyptian.

LIVERPOOL REFINED LARD "FUTURES."—The sharp rise in Chicago had already been partly taken into account here, but with a good demand during the early session prices improved 1/- to 2/- per cwt., January delivery being least affected. Sales covered February and January at 87/-, March 88/-, May 88/6, 88/9, 88/6, and September 89/-, to 89/9, with June quoted 89/6 to 89/- per cwt. With lower afternoon cables values receded somewhat, closing 1/- to 1/6 per cwt. higher on the day: January sold at 86/9 to 87/-, May 88/- to 88/3, September 89/6, December quoted 86/3 to 86/9, March 87/9 sellers.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—There was about the usual small quantity of vegetables forward for a mid-week market, viz., York cabbage, at 36/- to 34/- per load; swede turnips, 1/8 per 1 1/10 per cwt., and celery, 6/- to 8/6 per bundle. Everything cleared.

DUBLIN POTATO.—No change either in trade or prices to report in connection with potatoes. The former is still dull-and-slumpy, and the latter works out at 5/- to 6/6 per cwt. ex-store.

CORK BUTTER.—The market continues unchanged, with prices firm. Creameries £10- per cwt., special selected £10/5, upwards, farmers' firsts hunter 163/-.

DUBLIN FISH.—The small arrivals of fish on the market included 124 boxes herrings, and a sprinkling of plaice, sole, turbot, etc., all of which sold up at the following quotations:—Lemon soles 26/- to 36/-, mediums, 20/- to 35/-, and skins, 10/- to 12/6 per 9 pairs; brill, 1/- to 5/-; each; turbot, 3/- to 12/- each; plaice, per half-box, 40/- to 70/-; codfish, 50/- to 65/-, and rer, 10/- to 20/- per half-box. Herrings averaged 18/- to 20/- per box.

BILLINGSGATE FISH.—Supply fair. Demand fair. Soles 1/4 to 1/6, turbot 1/6 per lb., live eels 35/- to 40/-, dead 20/- to 25/- per dozen; turbot 14- to 18/-, brill 10/- to 14/-, plaice 9/- to 14/-, halibut 16/- to 20/-, lemon soles 12/- to 21/-, witches 6/- to 9/-, whiting 3/- to 5/-, cod 5/- to 6/-, hake 9/- to 11/-, skate 3/- to 7/-, haddocks 6/- to 8/- per stone.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Poor supply. Demand fair. Plaice 16/- to 20/- per box, 22/- to 28/-, halibut 14/- to 18/-, cod 5/- to 9/-, skate 3/-, small haddocks 2/6, kit 5/-, gibbed 8/9, dabs 10/- to 11/6, codlings 6/- to 7/-, whiting 2/- per stone; soles 1/9, turbot 1/6, brill 1/- per lb.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR.—Previous quotations were repeated for spot goods, both with regard to British and foreign descriptions, with business confined to moderate limits. Forward positions dull. Cuba quoted for sellers 17/9 f.o.b. Havana, January-March ready 17/5 f.o.b. Antwerp. Raw kinds slow. Cuban beets 9/- f.o. Fob. sellers 14/-. Continental beet 8/3 to 9/6. New Zealand quiet, nominal. African steel slow on former terms. SHELLAC quiet. T.N. spot 330/-, to 335/-, March 287/6 per cwt. COPRA quiet. F.M.S. Straits Dec.-Feb. Rotterdam sold £50 11/3, Jan.-March £50 12/6 to £50 11/3, Dutch Dec.-Jan. March sorted £50 7/6, Ceylon Dec.-Jan. £52, South Sea F.M.S. £49 15/-. PALM KERNELS.—Jan.-March to Liverpool quoted £28/-.

RUBBER is fair request and steady; standard plantations crepe and sheet spot Dec. and Jan. sold 1/5d to 1/6d, Jan.-March 1/6d to 1/6d, April-June 1/6d to 1/6d. No. 1 Para—Standard crepe estate sheet Jan.-Feb. quoted 1/7 per lb. c.i.f. Hull seats quietly steady. OILS.—Linseed irregular; spot 47/9, Jan.-April 47/4½, May-August 47/3. Turpentine dearer; American spot 90/9, Jan.-April 60/9 per cwt. Rape, Cotton unaltered. Olives current firm. OITSEEDS.—Linseed rather unsettled and easy; Calcutta spot positions sellers £24. Plate Jan.-Feb. sold £22 10/-, Feb.-March £22 10/-, March-April £22 10/-, February-May £22 10/-, Continental firm, but quiet; Egyptian black Dec.-Jan. sellers £13 5/9, white £13 17/6, Bombay £11 2/3 per ton. TALLOW.—Ja. auction 399 casks; Australian offered not a brisk demand and 77/- sold at 1month 1/-, per cwt. advance, covering the two which raised 1/- lower. Mutton fair to fine 80/- to 84/9, best ditto 89/-, to 93/6, mixed fair to good 44/6 or 92/- per cwt.

OLIVE CRUSHED SUGAR.—The market continues dull, and business confined to buyers' actual requirements. Prices irregular.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LIVERPOOL COTTON (Closing).—American quiet. Brazilian quotations advanced 6 points. East Indian unchanged. Egyptian moderate business. American futures closed:—December 13.19d., January 13.35d., February 13.43d., March 13.49d., April 13.51d., May 13.34d. Sales, 5,000. Imports, 7,916 bales. Market very steady.

LONDON METALS MARKET.

AN EASIER TONE.

TIN.—Market opened firmly, but assumed a weaker tone on more liberal selling orders, closing on balance 15/- per ton for cash and 10/- for end against the close of Tuesday last. Cash quoted £260 10/- to £260 15/-, three months £264 to £264 5/-, settlement price £260 15/-. Sales, 650 tons; cash sold £259 15/-, three months £264 10/-, sold at £264 15/-, £263 15/-, and £264. COPPER opened with a firm tone, but developed slight irregularity later, closing without material alteration on values. Cash opened £68 12/6 to £68 15/-, three months £66 15/- to £66 17/6, settlement price £68 15/-. Sales, 2,400 tons; cash from £68 15/- three months £67, £66 15/-, and £66 16/-. Electrum £70 to £70 10/-. LEAD easier forward. Sales, 4,000 tons; December £42 12/6 to £42 10/-, March £39 5/-, settlement price £42 12/6. SPELTER easier. Sales, 1,000 tons; February £34, April £34 15/- per ton.

CANADIAN CATTLE EXPORTS.

(SPECIAL CABLE.)

MONTREAL, Wednesday.

Trade firm; demand steady. Bulls $4.50 to $5.50, feeders $5.50 to $7.00 per 100lbs. Sailings to Glasgow—588 cattle; Gracia: 253 cattle, Leader, To Dundee—270, Commander, To Liverpool—540, Davonian Star.

MASTER BUILDERS NEED 35,000 APPRENTICES.

Reference to the great shortage of skilled artisans in the building trade was made by Mr. H. Matthews, President of the National Federation of Master Builders, in a speech at Leicester. Employers agreed, he said, that there was room for 35,000 apprentices, so that there would be one apprentice to every three operatives. It was most important that there should be some more

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

GAIETY THEATRE.
THE HOME OF PANTOMIME.
FRIDAY WEEK, DEC. 26th, AT 2 O'CLOCK.
EVERY EVENING AT 7.30.
THE GAIETY GRAND ANNUAL PANTOMIME,
CINDERELLA,
PRODUCED BY F. W. WARDEN.
Hilda Denton, George McNaughton,
Betty Le Brocke, Jock McNaughton,
Doris Craske, Scholey & Scholey,
Teddie Butt, Malvina,
Frank Varney,
The Moselle Sparkling Eight.
Special engagement of Fred Saker and his Gaiety Band
FULL CHORUS. AUGMENTED ORCHESTRA.
MATINEES Friday and Saturday Week, and Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday following week.
Every Wednesday and Saturday afterwards.
USUAL PRICES. NOW BOOKING.

OLYMPIA THEATRE
(LATE EMPIRE).
TWICE NIGHTLY .... 7 and 9.
THE MUSICAL COMEDY REVUE,
"WANGLES OF 1924."
ST. STEPHEN'S DAY, at 2.30 o'clock, and Twice Nightly at 7 and 9, until further Notice. Matinees WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS.
THE GRAND XMAS. PANTOMIME,
"BABES IN THE WOOD,"
Presented by Herbert Barnes.
Cissie Nadene, Olive Aubrey, Doris West, Dorothy and Betty Rene, Bruce Cameron, Grar and Grar, Will Pfounds, Bobbie Graham, Audrey Beauchamp, Laura Littles, Six Spotlights, and Madam Cordell's Six Petites.
AUGMENTED AND POWERFUL CHORUS.
BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.
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ABBEY THEATRE.
TO-NIGHT and following Nights, at 8 o'clock; Matinée Saturday, 2.30.
THE PLAYBOY OF THE WESTERN WORLD,
By J. M. Synge.
SOVEREIGN LOVE,
By T. C. Murray.
Booking at Theatre 'Phone 3268,
And at Clery's, Lower O'Connell street.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.
TWICE NIGHTLY ....7 and 9.
"CHOCOLATE DROPS."
A NEW SUPER WEST END REVUE.
COMMENCING MONDAY NEXT, DEC. 22nd.
TWICE NIGHTLY, 6.50 and 9.
MR. HARRY BURNS PRESENTS
HIS GRAND COMIC PANTOMIME,
"PUSS-IN-BOOTS."
Star Cast, including
THE SISTERS REEVE.
First Week—Matinees FRIDAY, DEC. 26th, and SATURDAY, 27th. Then Matinees every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY, at 2.30.
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Box Office Open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Telephone 3016.

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JACKIE COOGAN
IN HIS BEST PICTURE,
"CIRCUS DAYS."
ALSO
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WILL, BILL and EDDIE,
In a Versatile Piano, Singing and Dancing Act.
MUSICAL INTERLUDE by the "BOHEMIAN" ORCHESTRA.
Continuous, 4.30 to 10.30. Usual Admission.

THE CARLTON.
POLA NEGRI IN
"THE CHEAT."

PRINCESS, RATHMINES.
"ZAZA," 3 to 10.30,
Starring GLORIA SWANSON.
CARDINAL LOGUE'S FUNERAL SCENES, Etc.
MONDAY—Priscilla Dean in "The White Tiger."

THE SACKVILLE PICTURE HOUSE.
JACK HOXIE, in
"THE MAN FROM NOWHERE."
A WESTERN DRAMA.

METROPOLE.
BUSTER KEATON
IN
"SHERLOCK Jr."
A Feature Length Comedy.
Daily at 2.15, 4.45, 7.15, and 9.45 p.m.
ALSO
REGINALD DENNY
IN
"THE OAKDALE MYSTERY."
Daily at 3.0, 5.30 and 8.0 p.m.

METROPOLE BALLROOM.
SATURDAY EVENING, 20th DEC.
GRAND CINDERELLA DANCE,
Under the direction of Miss Rita North and Mr. Val North, who will give an exhibition of the Five-Step and Tango.
ADELAIDE MELODY BAND.
DANCING, 8-11 p.m. TICKETS .... 5/- Evening Dress.
SATURDAY AFTERNOON, 20th DECEMBER,
The DANSANT 4-6 p.m.
THE EARLSFORT BAND.
TICKETS (including Afternoon Tea) .... 3/-.
GRAND YULETIDE BALL,
ST. STEPHEN'S DAY, DECEMBER 26.
GRAND CARNIVAL BAL MASQUE,
NEW YEAR'S EVE, DECEMBER 31.

DRUMCONDRA LAWN TENNIS CLUB.
CARNIVAL DANCE,
THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING, 7.45 to 11;
In the
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Open to Visitors. Evening Dress Optional.
ADELAIDE MELODY BAND.
ADMISSION, 3/6 EACH.

CASTLECOMER
ANNUAL FANCY DRESS BALL
Will be held in the
WANDESFORDE SCHOOLS,
On MONDAY, 5th JANUARY, 1925.
Mr. MANAHAN'S NO. 1 BAND
(Personally Conducted).
Special Spring Floor. Catering by MILLS, Dublin.
Tickets—Gents', 25/-; Ladies', 20/-
Tickets can be had from the Hon. Secretaries, SEALY DOBBS and Dr. B. W. FARRELL.
Dancing 9.30. Fancy Dress or Evening Dress.

LATEST BALLROOM DANCING.
THE MISSES MALLINS
Will hold their CLASSES for
SCHOOL BOYS AND GIRLS
AT
IMPERIAL BALLROOM
(CLERY'S).
At 11.30 a.m. on
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20th;
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24th, etc.
All particulars 31 PEMBROKE ROAD, DUBLIN.

DANCE,
IMPERIAL BALLROOM
(CLERY'S),
EACH THURSDAY EVENING,
7.45 p.m. to 11 p.m.
Mr. W. A. MANAHAN'S BAND
(Personally Conducted).
Subscription, 3/-. Dress Optional.
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LARGEST MENU IN IRELAND TO CHOOSE FROM.
EVERY ROOM FULLY LICENSED FOR DRINKS OF ALL KINDS.
OPEN, 9.30 a.m. to 9.30 p.m.

NOTED IRISHMEN—Names of Prize-winners in this Competition are published to-day in the Christmas number of the "WEEKLY IRISH TIMES."

ADVERTISEMENTS.

The following is the order of Advertisements in to-day's *Irish Times*:—

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Births, Marriages and Deaths.
Hotels.
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PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL.
6.45 .... TWICE NIGHTLY 9.0
BROS. WALSH, THE WELSH PLAYERS, | GEO. FRENCH, THE SENALAG FAMILY,
MAJOR RAYMOND PHILLIPS, ETC., ETC.

THE PAVILION.
DUN LAOGHAIRE. 3.30 to 10.15.
PERCY MARMONT,
Unforgettable as Mark Sabre in "If Winter Comes,"
With AGNES AYRES and ROBT. McKIM in
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At 4.15, 6.35 and 9. Comedies, Iskwell, Felix, etc.

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SPECIAL TWO-FEATURE PROGRAMMES.
"THE BAD MAN,"
Featuring HOLBROOK BLINN, ENID BENNET.
Showing at 4.15, 6.45, and 9.15.
The Great Montenegrin War Film,
"THERE IS NO RESURRECTION WITHOUT DEATH."
With ELENA SANGRO.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.
WE WISH TO ADVISE OUR NUMEROUS PATRONS THAT WE HAVE SECURED THE
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FOR ALL NEXT WEEK.
THIS IS
POSITIVELY THE LAST TIME
that this Masterpiece will be shown in
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LA SCALA'S presentation of the 4 HORSEMEN IS FAMOUS Throughout the United Kingdom.
DON'T MISS YOUR LAST OPPORTUNITY of seeing what is admitted to be
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"THE TENTH WOMAN."
A BRILLIANT PLAY FROM HARRIET COMSTOCK'S NOVEL,
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THE PICTURE WITH AN AMAZING CLIMAX.

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LOWER ABBEY STREET.
TO-NIGHT, AT 8 O'CLOCK,
ORCHESTRAL CONCERT.
Conductor............Miss PETITE O'HARA.
Solo Piano ....Miss RHODA COGHILL.
Admission 3/6, 2/4 and 1/3 (including tax).

FRED SAKER'S BAND FROM LONDON.
(10 Performers) and The Adelaide Orpheus Band.
IMPERIAL BALLROOM (Clery's), DEC. 27 & 31.
Tickets Limited.
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

CITY OF DUBLIN SKIN AND CANCER HOSPITAL,
HUME STREET.

The Annual General Meeting of above will be held at Hume House TO-DAY at 5 p.m., under the chairmanship of George Birney, Esq. All who are interested in the Hospital are cordially invited to attend.

REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACT, 1904.

In pursuance of above Act, I intend to apply for a Renewal of the Certificate of Registration for the COUNTY KERRY CLUB, TRALEE, at the District Court, Tralee.
RICHARD H. HUDSON, Secretary.

REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACT, 1904.

I hereby give Notice that I intend making application for the Renewal of Certificate of Licence of the Pembroke (Hard Courts) Lawn Tennis Club.
Dated this 16th day of December, 1924.
W. B. POLLOCK, Hon. Secretary.

LEGAL NOTICES.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
MAJOR CECIL CHOLMONDLEY BUTLER CLARKE, late of 17 Lower Fitzwilliam street, Dublin, Deputy Registrar Court of Bankruptcy, Saorstat Eireann.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Victoria, Cap. 35, all persons claiming to be creditors, or otherwise to have any claim or demand against the estate or assets of the said Cecil Cholmondley Butler Clarke, Deceased, who died on the 3rd April, 1924, are hereby required, on or before the 11th January, 1925, to furnish (in writing) the particulars of such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executors of the said Deceased, to whom Probate of the Will of the said Deceased has been granted, in the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice in Saorstat Eireann, on the 3rd June, 1924, and in default thereof, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Testator, having regard only to the Claims of which notice and particulars shall have been given as above required.
Dated this 10th day of December, 1924.
ALLEN H. MORGAN, Solicitor for said Executors, Thurles, Co. Tipperary.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
HUGH W. LARDNER, Esq., Deceased, late of Ashton, Martello terrace, Kingstown, in the County of Dublin; Exchange Buildings, Dundalk, and formerly of Swan Park, Monaghan.

The creditors of the above Deceased are requested to furnish statements of their accounts to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors.
Dated this 18th day of December, 1924.
PHELAN and CO., Solicitors, Dundalk, and 1 Suffolk street, Dublin.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE—IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the Matter of
EDWARD REILLY, of 9 Bridge street, Cavan, in the County of Cavan, Merchant, a Bankrupt.

A Public Sitting will be held before the Court at the Law Courts, the Castle, Dublin, on Friday, the 23rd day of January, 1925, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to audit the Assignees' account and make a final dividend in this matter.
Dated this 17th day of December, 1924.
W. CONNELL, Second Assistant.
ALFRED G. HOLLINSHEAD, Official Assignee, Law Courts, Dublin.
J. P. TYNDALL and CO., Solicitors for the Assignee, 11 Fleet street, Dublin.

IN THE GOODS OF
MRS. SARAH WILHELMINA CAMPBELL, late of No. 9 Fitzwilliam square, Dublin.

All persons having claims against the Assets of the above, who died on 26th May, 1924, should send particulars to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executors, to whom Probate was granted on 15th December, 1924, and who will distribute the Assets after the 21st January next, having regard only to claims previously received.
Dated the 17th December, 1924.
W. S. BARRETT, Solicitor for Executors, 15 South Frederick street, Dublin.

IMPORTANT TO SOLICITORS.
From the 1st May, 1924, the charge for their advertisements under Legal Notice heading, or in any other advertising column of this paper (save "Agony" or Personal), is 1/6 per line, with a minimum of 10/6.
THE MANAGER.

CONTRACTS.

LOUGHREA RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.
LOUGHREA SEWERAGE WORKS.

The Council of the Loughrea Rural District will on the 8th January, 1925, consider TENDERS for carrying out the above Works, which comprise the construction of Sewers, Manholes, Septic Tanks, Storm Water Filters, Bacterial Filters, Fencing and other works, according to Plans and Specifications prepared by Mr. Francis Bergin, B.A.I., 36 Westmoreland street, Dublin, which can be seen at my office during ordinary office hours, or at the office of the Engineer, from whom copies of the Bill of Quantities and Forms of Tender may be obtained.

Tenders, accompanied by a Schedule of Prices, and containing the name of an approved Guarantee Society, or the names and addresses of two solvent sureties willing to join in a Bond of £1,000 for the due performance of the Contract, will be received by me up to 12 o'clock noon on the 8th day of January, 1925.

Tenders should be addressed to the Presiding Chairman and endorsed, "Tender for Loughrea Sewerage Works," and no Tender will be considered which is not on the proper form.

The Contractor will be expected to give preference of employment to ex-Service men of the National Army; he must pay all expenses in connection with the preparation and execution of, and stamp duty on, Contract and Bond, and be prepared to start work not later than February 2nd, 1925.

In case of any delay in the execution of the works, caused by a general strike, combination or lock-out of artificers or workmen employed in the execution of the works, or in the preparation or manufacture of materials intended for the works, the Contractor shall be allowed such further time for the execution of the Contract as shall be appointed and certified to in writing by the Engineer.

The Council do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.
By Order, J. J. HANAFIN, Clerk of the Council.
Offices, Loughrea, Co. Galway, 16th December, 1924.

J. W. ELVERY & CO., LTD.
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FOOTBALL, HOCKEY, GOLF, BADMINTON &c.
BOXING GLOVES AND PUNCH BALLS.
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Catalogues on application.
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HAVANA CIGARS.
THE cost of Havana Cigars has increased during the last twelve months by 5 per cent., but as our stocks were mostly purchased before the rise we are pleased to state that the cost to the public will in no case be higher than last year.
We can supply real "Havanas" from £25 per 100 to 50/-, the latter in boxes of 50 only.
Home manufactured cigars of Havana and other high-class tobaccos have greatly improved, and can be thoroughly recommended.
Purchasers will greatly oblige by letting us have their orders as early as possible if for Christmas delivery.
For Residents in the Free State who wish to send Cigars, Cigarettes, or Tobacco to friends outside we have made arrangements with our agents across the water to forward on parcels. This will mean that the parcels will arrive free, no costs for duty, etc., being then charged on delivery, as there would be if despatched from the Free State.
Orders of this description should reach us not later than the morning of Saturday, 20th.
Customers can select from a large and varied selection of Barling and Dunhill Pipes, High-Class Cigar and Cigarette Tubes, also Pouches, in all the latest leathers, as well as in poplin-covered oil silk, our speciality.
JAMES J. FOX & CO.,
119 GRAFTON STREET, DUBLIN.
WE SHALL BE OPEN LATE ON SATURDAY, THE 20th, BUT WILL CLOSE EARLY ON THE 27th.

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XMAS, 1924.
SILVER, TORTOISESHELL AND ENAMEL BRUSH SETS,
IN CASES,
FROM £4/0/0
LARGE SELECTION OF
MANICURE SETS
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DIAMOND HALF-HOOP, AND SINGLE STONE RINGS.
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FREE NIGHT SHELTER
(FOR HOMELESS CATHOLIC MEN),
BACK LANE.

A PUBLIC MEETING
In Aid of this Institution
Will be held in
OAK ROOM, MANSION HOUSE,
ON
NEXT SUNDAY, 21st DEC.,
At 4 p.m.
HIS GRACE THE ARCHBISHOP
Has kindly promised to Preside.

The Meeting will be addressed by several prominent citizens.

N.B.—THE ADMISSIONS TO THE NIGHT SHELTER SINCE JANUARY LAST NUMBERED 37,264, AND 74,340 MEALS WERE GIVEN FREE.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.

INSPECTORSHIP OF MINES AND QUARRIES.

The Department of Industry and Commerce have a vacancy for an Inspector of Mines and Quarries. Pensionable salary £300-£400, with bonus. Age limit, 25-35 years. Preference will be given to ex-members of the National Forces. Applications will be reviewed by a Selection Board appointed by the Civil Service Commission. Particulars and Forms of Application may be obtained from the Secretary, Department of Industry and Commerce, Lord Edward street, Dublin, to whom the completed Application Forms must be returned by the 12th JANUARY, 1925.
22/G 8709. W.H.Co

NEW IRELAND ASSURANCE COLLECTING SOCIETY.
Registered No. 1574.

Take Notice that a General Meeting of the Society will be held at 11 o'clock a.m. on the 2nd day of January, 1925, at 12 Dawson street, Dublin, at which the following special Resolution will be proposed:—

"That the New Ireland Assurance Company Limited, being a Company Limited by Shares and registered under the Companies Consolidation Act, 1908, carrying on the business of life and other Assurances and having their principal Offices at 12 Dawson street, in the County of the City of Dublin having proposed to take over and accept a transfer of the engagements of the New Ireland Assurance Collecting Society, including the liability on foot of all the Policies issued by the Society on the terms that the said Society shall transfer to and cause to be vested in the said Company all the property, money and funds of the Society. Now we the Members of the New Ireland Assurance Collecting Society do in pursuance of the power in that behalf given by the 71st Section of the Friendly Societies Act, 1896, hereby resolve and declare that we approve and sanction the proposed transfer of the engagements and liabilities of the Society to the New Ireland Assurance Company Limited on the terms aforesaid and we hereby approve and sanction the transfer to the said Company of the property, money and funds of the Society to the said Company on the terms aforesaid."

And take further Notice that a further Meeting of the Society will be held at 11 o'clock a.m., on the 19th day of January, 1925, at 12 Dawson street, Dublin, for the purpose of confirming said special Resolution after it has been passed at the first Meeting.
Dated this 16th day of December, 1924.
M. W. O'REILLY, Secretary.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Theatre Royal—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre—Closed.
Queen's Theatre—"Chocolate Drops," 7 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Wangles of 1924," 7 and 9.
Abbey Theatre—"The Playboy of the Western World" and "Sovereign Love," 8 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"The Bad Man," 4.15, 6.45, and 9.15 p.m.
Metropole Cinema—"Sherlock, Jr.," 2.15, 4.45, 7.15 and 9.45 p.m.; also, "The Oakdale Mystery," at 3.0, 5.30 and 8.0 p.m.
Grafton Picture House—"The Tenth Woman."
Carlton Cinema—"The Cheat."
Sackville Picture House—"The Man From Nowhere."
Bohemian Picture Theatre—"Circus Days," 4.30 to 10.30 p.m.
Princess Cinema, Rathmines—"Zaza," 3 to 10.30.
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"Pavements of Gold," 3.30 to 10.15 p.m.
Orchestral Concert—Abbey Lecture Hall, Lower Abbey Street, 8 p.m.
Aonach na Nodlag—40 Upper O'Connell Street, 3 to 9.30 p.m.
Century Insurance Company Dinner—Shelbourne Hotel, 7 o'clock.
Midland Great Western Railway Company, Broadstone—Meeting, 12.30 o'clock.
Grangegorman Mental Hospital, 12 o'clock.
City of Dublin Skin and Cancer Hospital, 5 p.m.
Engineering Society's Concert—Metropole, 7.30.
Belvedere College Union, 8 p.m.
Dublin County Council, 3 p.m.
Dublin Port and Docks Board, 1 p.m.
Dublin Circuit Court, 11 a.m.

A criminal trial is a tragic drama in real life, which gives some of the same satisfaction with which in earlier days men and women watched a Christian torn by wild beasts or a heretic burned at the stake.—Dean Inge.

The Irish Times

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1924.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

The League of Nations Society of Ireland, in a statement regarding the registration of the Treaty, enters a protest against any attempt to detract from the authoriy of League, or from Ireland's position as a member thereof.—(Page 7.)

Interviewed yesterday Mr. Hogan, Minister for Lands and Agriculture, said that while efforts would be made to encourage the growing of wheat in the Free State, there was no proposal of giving a subsidy to wheat-growers.—(Page 7.)

The Railway (Directorate) Bill passed through all its stages at yesterday's meeting of the Senate.—(Page 7.)

The Boundary Commissioners arrived at Omagh yesterday and met representatives of the local Unionists and Nationalists.—(Page 7.)

Prospects for supplies in Dublin of turkeys and geese during the Christmas season are reported to be excellent. Prices are low, but size and condition are not so good as in former years.—(Page 7.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

The House of Commons, after hearing Mr. Baldwin's general scheme for the protection of home industries last night, rejected the Liberal Party's amendment to the Address on the subject of tariffs and Preference.—(Page 5.)

The British attitude regarding the registration of the Irish Treaty was the subject of a question in the House of Commons yesterday.—(Page 7.)

ABROAD.

A big decline in the number of Irish-born residents in Canada is revealed by the analysis of the Census figures of 1921.—(Page 7.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets were generally weak. Tea Shares were again a strong spot.—(Page 11.)

Money was not in plentiful supply in Lombard street, and borrowers had to pay 3 to 3½ per cent for overnight loans. The exchanges were dull.—(Page 11.)

In Dublin the Stock Market was quiet and dull. Guinness Shares were sold down to 49¼ and closed at 49¼, a fall of 3-16.—(Page 11.)

Imperial Preference.

The debate on the Address was resumed in the House of Commons yesterday, and the Prime Minister took advantage of the occasion to outline the fiscal policy of his new Government. In form his speech resembled the famous Portsmouth speech of fifteen months ago, when he declared his faith in Protection, but in substance it was a very different pronouncement. It began with unemployment and the various palliatives that had been applied to it, and by a series of logical processes arrived at the conclusion that some kind of fiscal change was essential to the nation's welfare. On this occasion, however, Mr. Baldwin was careful to make his position perfectly clear. His Government, he declared, had no mandate from the people for a policy of Protection, but it had a very definite mandate for the safeguarding of industries. The Prime Minister proceeded to distinguish between these two fiscal concepts, and laid down three principles which, he said, would govern the Conservative policy. In the first place, no industry would be safeguarded unless it was both substantial and efficient. In the second place, it must be subject to exceptional competition from abroad, through exchange rates or Government bounties to its rivals; and, finally, there would be no tax of any kind on food. Mr. Baldwin will not allow safeguarding to become the thin edge of Protection proper, and there will be no discrimination against any country. If a tariff is imposed on an article, it will be a general tariff, and there will be no infringement of "most favoured nation" arrangements with foreign Powers.

Nearly every substantial industry in Great Britain is affected more or less by the unequal competition of some country or other; and, therefore, there is something to be said for Mr. Lloyd George's criticism of the Premier's plan. Under Mr. Baldwin's system an enormous number of industries will qualify for safeguarding, and the ultimate effect may be that of a general tariff. Of course, the Dominions will have preferential rates, and to this extent, at any rate, the Premier's proposals will secure the support of everybody who has any interest in Imperial unity. Unfortunately, there are few industries of great importance in the Dominions outside agriculture and its derivatives, and until the British people allow their Government to put a tax on food the ideal of Imperial Preference never can be achieved. In the meanwhile Mr. Baldwin proposes to devote the sum of one million pounds to the improvement of the methods by which Dominion produce is marketed in Great Britain. He did not explain the exact use to which the money would be placed; but we may assume that it will give the Dominions indirect advantages over their foreign competitors equivalent to those which would be derived directly from a tax on imported food. The scheme is purely experimental, but it has splendid possibilities. If the Dominions reciprocate by extending their preferential rates for British manufactures, the volume of inter-Imperial trade ought to expand by at least ten *per cent*.

When Mr. Baldwin refers to the "overseas Dominions" we presume that the Free State is included in this category. It is to be hoped, therefore, that a fair proportion of the £1,000,000 which is about to be spent will be devoted to the improvement of this country's trade with its great neighbour. The Free State is Britain's best customer as well as her closest Dominion. We always have maintained that, even without any help from British sources, our exporters could increase their trade enormously through improvement in the quality of their produce; and, if they are helped by the Imperial Treasury, their task, naturally, will become much easier. The present British Government is determined to cultivate its Imperial trade at the expense of those foreign purveyors whose enterprise has been driving Irish produce out of the British market during recent years. A magnificent opportunity awaits our exporters, and Government and people alike should combine to take the fullest advantage of it. We hope that the Ministry for Lands and Agriculture will lose no time in ascertaining the plans of His Majesty's Government, and that Mr. Hogan will take immediate steps to bring them before the notice of the farmers of the Free State. There are a dozen ways in which Anglo-Irish trade can be developed and a dozen reasons for an early movement in that direction. The most intimate co-operation between Dublin and London will be necessary in order that the maximum benefit may be derived from Mr. Baldwin's "great and glorious experiment." Let us hope that no folly or prejudice will be permitted to interfere with its success.

Defence, Not Defiance.

Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, has made an interesting statement about British naval policy in general and the Singapore base in particular. He denied that the Government's decision to proceed with the Singapore base was actuated by any desire to pursue an aggressive policy. The Navy, he said, was not a weapon of aggression, but was the best and cheapest insurance for the prosperity and the very life of the nation. The Singapore base would help to increase efficiency by allowing ships to be repaired without the necessity of long journeys to home ports, and in this way a large expense would be saved. There are only two countries whose naval strength is at all comparable with that of Great Britain. They are the United States of America and Japan. Both have naval interests in the Pacific and would be affected by the Singapore base if any idea of aggression lay behind its establishment. Both, however, are friendly Powers. Mr. Bridgeman believes that they have no suspicions concerning the Singapore base; and, so far as the United States is concerned, his belief is borne out by President Coolidge's recent speeches. The Naval Supply Bill is receiving the attention of the House of Representatives, and it is urged in some quarters that the Navy ought to be increased in order to maintain the balance with its rivals. President Coolidge is opposed absolutely to this theory. Some experts in the United States hold that, since the lack of cruisers and auxiliary vessels has brought the American Navy below its theoretical treaty strength, an investigation ought to be held by Congress into the matter. To this claim President Coolidge replies that such an inquiry is a normal preliminary to the annual Naval Supply Bill. He has no sympathy with the contention that because other countries are building ships the United States must adopt a corresponding programme. Probably Mr. Coolidge would welcome another disarmament conference, although he stated on Tuesday that he had nothing further to report on this subject. The views of Mr. Bridgeman and President Coolidge may be accepted as sincere. The predominating naval might of the world has fallen into trustworthy hands, and there is no immediate fear of another competition in building programmes. At the same time the British Government is wise to run no risks of a lapse from efficiency. Mr. Bridgeman drew an apt parallel when he said that a man insures his life, not because he thinks that he is going to die, but because the unexpected may happen. The British Government would fail in its duty if it did not provide for the unexpected.

Free Trade in "Wireless."

The Free State lags behind the times in many matters, and very notably in the matter of "broadcasting." It is still without a "broadcasting" station, and all friends of progress will sympathise with the movement in favour of a national conference which will put pressure on the Government. Already, however, hundreds of Free State citizens possess wireless sets which keep them in touch, through British stations, with the Continent of Europe, the traffic of the great waters and even with Africa and North America. Such enthusiasts, and prospective owners of wireless apparatus, will have an interest in the results of forthcoming foreign competition on the future cost of their aerial entertainment. By the charter of the British Broadcasting Company two years' protection was granted to British manufacturers who subscribed to it. This protection will lapse at the end of the present year, and the General Post Office has given notice that, after January 1st, 1925, wireless receiving licences will not contain the condition that the licensee "shall not knowingly use any set or component part manufactured elsewhere than in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man." British manufacturers hold different views about the removal of the embargo. The managing director of the General Electric Company told the *Morning Post* that it would have "a terrible effect" on the British wireless industry, since foreign countries, by means of their lower wages and collapsed exchanges, would be able to under-sell British firms. A director of another important company was equally dismal. He said that the British industry would be "knocked sideways," and pointed out that a head-piece which is produced for eleven shillings in England can be produced for seven shillings in Germany. On the other hand, some manufacturers assert that the British industry has nothing to fear, since the quality of its work cannot be beaten, and, technically, Germany is three years behind England. The unknown factor is the United States, which was the pioneer of "broadcasting" and can put thousands of sets on the British market at a fortnight's notice. In all probability, the removal of the embargo will promote the development of "broadcasting" in the Free State. Foreign competition will cheapen the cost of instruments and will stimulate rival industries to new efforts of experiment and research.

Manuscripts and Money.

Bishop Berkeley's line, "Westward the course of empire takes its way," occurs in his poem "On the Prospect of Planting Arts and Learning in America." The great Irishman could not have foreseen the devastating proportions which the process of "planting" was to assume within one hundred and seventy years from his death. Intellectually, the United States may not have absorbed the culture of Europe so successfully as Americans are apt to believe; but where the material treasures of art and literature are concerned America's triumph is almost complete. Her ambition, backed with an inexhaustible purse, may end by depriving Europe of every beautiful work of hand and brain that poet and painter and craftsman have produced since the days of the Italian renaissance. Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan's collection of manuscripts is now on exhibition at the Public Library in New York. It is probably the rarest and fullest collection of its sort that has come into private hands during the whole history of civilisation. It includes original manuscripts of all the greatest writers of English except Chaucer, Shakespeare and Spenser. There are authors' manuscripts of "Vanity Fair," of Johnson's "Life of Pope" and of many novels by Scott and Dickens. Above all, there is the manuscript of "Paradise Lost" which the blind Milton dictated to an amanuensis and sold to a publisher for fifteen pounds. It is true that these relics have found an honoured home among a people who speak the tongue that Shakespeare spake; yet England is impoverished by their loss. The time may come soon when she will be forced to protect her surviving treasures with the shield of the law.

FLUKE IN SHEEP.

HOW TO CHECK THE DISEASE: DEPARTMENT'S STATEMENT.

In view of the prevalence in many districts of liver fluke in sheep, the Free State Department of Agriculture desires to direct the special attention of farmers and stockowners to the desirability of taking steps to check the ravages of the disease. As the name implies, the disease is caused by a fluke-shaped worm, which has a peculiar life history, and requires to pass a certain period of its existence in the body of a small fresh-water snail. The latter thrives on wet, low-lying land; hence the prevalence of "fluke" in wet seasons, and on water-logged or marshy pastures.

As the parasite which causes the disease cannot complete its life history in the absence of its snail host, the destruction of the latter is one of the first objects to be aimed at in dealing with the malady. Recent experience has shown that an effective method of doing this is to spray the affected pastures with a solution of copper sulphate, and to dress all surface-water pools and muddy ditches with a liberal dusting of copper sulphate powder.

It has been found that a one per cent. solution of sulphate of copper is quite effective for this purpose. A solution of this strength is made by dissolving one lb. of sulphate of copper in ten gallons of water. The spray should be used at the rate of at least fifty gallons to the statute acre, and may be applied with either a knapsack or a horse-drawn spraying machine. Sheep or other stock should not be allowed access to land so sprayed for at least one month.

Though the cure of sheep affected by liver fluke was at one time regarded as hopeless, it is now known that satisfactory results are obtainable from a certain method of treatment. Recent official tests have proved the efficacy, in suitable cases, of a specific which can be procured from the makers by any veterinary surgeon, and sheep owners who desire to have their sheep treated should consult their veterinary surgeon before the disease has secured too strong a hold. The specific requires expert administration, and a very careful regulation of the dosage according to the strength of the animal under treatment.

The Department does not supply the specific, but its director of Veterinary Research will be prepared to assist with advice any veterinary surgeon who consults him in regard to the treatment or diagnosis of the disease. Communications in the matter should be addressed to the Director of Veterinary Research, Veterinary Research Laboratory, Thorndale, Upper Drumcondra, Dublin.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference. — Depressions are moving north-eastward between Iceland and Scotland from the mid-Atlantic, and mild south-westerly winds will be general over the British Isles, probably reaching gale force at times in the North and North-West. Occasional rain will occur in Scotland and Ireland, and local drizzle elsewhere. There will be local fog at first in the South of England.

N.W. Ireland.—Strong south-westerly winds, reaching gale force at times in places; dull; some rain; moderate visibility; mild.

N.E., S.E. and S.W. Ireland.—Moderate to fresh or strong south-westerly winds; dull; occasional rain; local mist; mild.

S.W. Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland; Irish Sea and St. George's Channel. — Wind southerly to south-westerly, moderate to fresh or strong; much cloud; local drizzle and mist; fog in places at first; sea moderate to rather rough.

N.W. Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides. — Wind south-westerly, strong to a gale; much cloud; occasional rain; mist at times; sea rough.

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

BAROMETER.

Dublin—Wednesday (6 p.m.) 30.10

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To-day....Rises .. 8.36	Sets	....	4. 7
To-morrow.. „ ... 8.37	„	....	4. 7
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HIGH WATER.
DUBLIN.

To-day....Morning 3.26	Afternoon	....	3.40
To-morrow.. „ „ 4.18	„	....	4.40

OBITUARY.

DR. HENRY G. SHERLOCK.

Dr. Henry Gregg Sherlock, Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland, died yesterday at his residence, Glenageary, County Dublin. Dr. Sherlock retired from the practice of his profession some years ago, owing to ill health. He leaves a widow, two daughters and one son.

DR. J. W. TAYLOR.

The death of Dr. John Wilgar Taylor took place yesterday at his residence, 24 Derryvolgie avenue, Belfast, in his sixty-fifth year. The son of a Belfast merchant, he was educated at Queen's College, Belfast, and he graduated M.B. and B.Ch. in the Royal University in 1882. In the following year he became a Licentiate in Midwifery of the Royal College of Physicians, Ireland. He was a Fellow of the Ulster Medical Society and a member of the Medical Association. Dr. Taylor had retired from practice some years ago.

THE PRINCE TO HUNT AT MELTON MOWBRAY.

The Prince of Wales's stud of hunters yesterday arrived at the Craven Lodge stables, Melton Mowbray, from Leighton Buzzard, in readiness for hunting with the Leicestershire packs.

PROMOTION OF CARDINAL GASQUET.

ROME, *Wednesday*.

The Pope, at to-morrow's Consistory, will announce the promotion of Cardinal Gasquet, Curator of the Vatican Library, from the Order of Deacons to the Order of Priests, and the elevation of the Church of Santa Maria, in Portico, of which Cardinal Gasquet is Deacon, to the Presbyterial title.

On Friday, when Cardinal Gasquet celebrates the fiftieth anniversary of his religious life, he will say his first Mass as Cardinal Priest in this church, after which a solemn Te Deum will be sung.—(Reuter.)

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The King left Buckingham Palace yesterday afternoon to stay with Viscount and Viscountess Burnham at Hall Barn, Beaconsfield, where a pheasant shoot has been arranged for to-day. Afterwards His Majesty will return to London.

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The Duke and Duchess of Roxburghe will leave London early next week, and will spend Christmas at Floors Castle. The Earl and Countess of Selborne will be at Blackmoor, their seat in Hampshire, for Christmas, and will entertain a small house party, including Viscount and Viscountess Wolmer and their children. The Earl and Countess of Lonsdale, who usually come South about this season, will spend Christmas at Lowther Castle, where they will remain till the middle of January.

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A deputation from Perth City and County yesterday presented the Duke and Duchess of Atholl, at Blair Castle, with a set of silver-gilt candelabra and candlesticks on the occasion of their silver wedding. The presentation was made by Bailie Hunter, senior magistrate. Two beautiful iron hand-wrought garden gates were afterwards presented on behalf of relations and friends. At the tenants' ball last night there were about five hundred guests.

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An enthusiastic welcome was accorded the Earl and Countess of Galloway in Wigtonshire on their return from their honeymoon. Though the weather was unfavourable, the Town Council and crowds of the tenantry and workers met them at Bridge of Cree, when ropes were attached to their motor car, which was towed by the tenants to the Town Hall. Shortly after they reached Camloden Park a bonfire was lighted, and later in the evening there was a fine display of fireworks. Presentations have been made, and several festivities will take place at Christmas.

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The Countess of Kilmorey is in residence at Mourne Park, County Down, but will leave shortly for St. Moritz. Lord and Lady Cable will spend Christmas at Lyndridge, South Devon. They will return to London early in January, and will sail for India in the same week. The Earl and Countess of Derby will start shortly for the South of France. Lord Hardinge of Penshurst will leave London to-morrow for the South of Spain.

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Sir Edwin Lutyens, R.A., who has just been awarded the Gold Medal of the American Institute of Architects, has left England for India, but will break his journey in Spain, where he will be the guest of the Duke of Penaranda at Guadalpara. On St. Stephen's Day he will leave Gibraltar for Calcutta, where he will be joined by Lady Emily Lutyens, who has been staying at Government House with her brother, the Earl of Lytton, Governor of Bengal. They will spend the next two months at Delhi, where a large scheme of reconstruction is being carried out under Sir Edwin's supervision. By the end of March he and his wife hope to be back in London.

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Lady Evelyn Ward, Madame van Swinderen (wife of the Netherlands Minister in London), the Hon. Mrs. Cecil Campbell, Sir William and Lady Alexander, Sir John Thornycroft and Sir Alfred Booth are on their way from New York on the ss. Aquitania, which is due at Southampton to-morrow. Viscount and Viscountess Cecil of Chelwood have left for the United States and will not return to England until the second week in January. The Earl of Lauderdale will leave London early next month to join the Countess of Lauderdale at Palm Beach, Florida.

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A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between Sheelagh, daughter of Brigadier-General and Mrs. Geoffrey Downing, of "Drummetts Lodge," Torrington, N. Devon, and Henry Herbert Martin, "Ellerslie," Temple road, Dublin.

Dr. Ella Webb has left 20 Hatch street for three weeks.

MARRIAGE OF COLONEL E. G. CONCANON AND MRS. MAGUIRE.

The marriage took place on Monday, December 15, at Holy Trinity Church, Kensington Gore, London, S.W., of Colonel Edward George Concanon, D.S.O., only son of the late Mr. James Blake Concanon, of Rockfield, Athenry, Co. Galway, Ireland, and Mrs. Maguire, widow of Dr. Ernest Maguire, of Brighton.

The bride was given away by her son, Mr. J. N. E. Muspratt, and was attended by Colonel Concanon's niece, Miss H. L. Turner. The bridegroom's elder son acted as best man.

The health of Mrs. James Blake Concanon (mother of the bridegroom) did not permit of her being present at the wedding.

Among those present at the ceremony were:—Miss N. M. Muspratt (daughter of the bride), Mr. and Mrs. Errol Guy Turner (sister and brother-in-law of the bridegroom), Lieutenant E. C. LL. Turner, R.N.; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Muspratt, Mrs. James Walker, Miss Simon and Mrs. Henry Concanon.

MARRIAGE OF CAPTAIN J. H. SHAW AND MISS FISHER.

In Rostrevor Presbyterian Church yesterday, in the presence of a large congregation, the wedding took place of Captain J. H. Shaw, T.C.D. (late of the Tank Corps), son of Mr. and Mrs. Shaw, Belfast, and Miss Mary Margaretta Fisher, only daughter of Mr. Frank Fisher, J.P., Newry. The bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Frieda Fisher, as bridesmaid, and Mr. Quarts Creegan, London, was best man. The officiating clergy were the Very Rev. Dr. W. G. Strahan, Newry; the Rev. J. A. Fisher, of Crossmichael, N.B., and the Rev. Mr. Creegan, of London. After the reception the married pair left for London and Paris, where the honeymoon is to be spent.

Mah-Jongg Demonstration daily this week at Switzer's by a London Expert. Demonstrations in private residences after 6 p.m. by appointment.

In Switzer's Costume Gallery quite a number of the Lovely Gowns (including Models) are now marked down in price.

A large selection of Fur (one skin) Ties suitable for Christmas Gifts, from 29s. 6d., at Switzer's, Grafton street.

Lovely Frocks for Christmas Festivities.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

Salthill Hotel—Friday, 26th December, Children's Dance and Christmas Tree, 3 to 6 o'clock. Tickets strictly limited.

Veronica, 31 Upper Baggot street—Great Sale all this week. All Gowns, Coats, Millinery, half price.

Charming Christmas Presents from Paris at reasonable prices. Necklets, Evening Bags, etc.—Veronica, 31 Upper Baggot street.

Madame Renée has received a special delivery of Evening Gowns for Christmas Dances. Prices very moderate.—Harry street (off Grafton street).

Davis and Co. have just received a choice collection of Day and Evening Gowns. Some Exclusive and Distinctive Models now on view. Prices strictly moderate. 'Phone 4096.—45 Grafton street.

Alice, 18 Stephen's Green—All Model Gowns and Hats half price.

Poppy Georgette Evening Gown, trimmed with marabout, 6½ gns., at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street, Dublin.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals.—Gerald F. Knox, L. Grant, R. R. S. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Murphy, R. G. Horner, J. L. Le Fanu, F. J. W. Darley, J. Millar, Mrs. Claude Odlum, J. Fitzgerald Marnan, T. M. R. Ahern, J. W. Quirke, D. M. Ahern, N. K. Macdonald, H. A. Lyons, Rev. E. W. and Mrs. Simpson, Miss Simpson, Rear Admiral A. Craig Waller, Mrs. Craig Waller, M. Craig Waller, R. Craig, Mrs. G. W. Panter, N. D. Panter, G. P. D. Roche, Robert A. Gerrard.

Departures.—Miss Grenda Roe, Mr. H. Maude, J. O. Tennant, Compton Mackenzie, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Austen, Sir James C. Percy, Dr. L. S. Levitt, N. Conglan, Mrs. Conglan, S. Conglan, F. Crozier, P. Coleman, L. O'Reilly.

Other Arrivals and Departures will be found in "Dublin and the Provinces."

McBirney and Co.'s Great Toy Fair and Christmas Gift Bazaar now open.

A charming selection of Frocks for Christmas Dances can be had at Mansfield Sisters, Wicklow street. Also Novelties in Jumpers, Hats and Furs. Prices very moderate.

Furs—Annual December Sale of High-Class Furs at very reduced prices.—David Vard, 24 Grafton street (1st floor). Window show at 16 Duke street.

Gibson and Co., Ladies' Tailors. Specialists in designing and cutting. All models made on the premises. Inspection invited.—141 Lr. Baggot st.

Special Sale of Fur Coats and Small Furs This Week.—Nutria Coat, finest skins, reduced to 59 gns.; Electric Seal Coat, 19 gns.; also Beaver, Coney and Moleskin Coats, clearing at slightly over Cost Price. Two-Skin Sable Fitch Necklets, 49/6; Skunk Stoles, from 9½ gns.; Ermine Ties, from 3½ gns.—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton street.

Welcome Xmas Gift—"The Heart of a Clown," the charming Phantasy, by Constance Powell-Anderson. On Sale Fred. Hanna, 29 Nassau street, Dublin. Price 1/-, post free 1/2.

In view of the fact that women have votes to-day, it is a wilful waste of raw material to kiss babies.—Mr. Sexton.

LONDON LETTER.

IRELAND AND THE LEAGUE.

29 FLEET STREET, LONDON, WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

Nothing fresh transpired to-day regarding the action of the Government in connection with the registration of the Irish Treaty by the Free State at the League of Nations. It was expected that Mr. Chamberlain would have taken advantage of the opportunity afforded him in the House this afternoon on a question by Mr. Rose, a Labour member, to make a statement; but he confined himself to a simple answer to the actual question and did not enlarge upon its subject. I understand that it is quite possible that the Government will shortly make its attitude perfectly clear upon the point at issue, though the method which it will employ is uncertain.

The League of Nations is about to hold a competition for the selection of a plan with a view to the construction of a conference hall at Geneva on the ground presented by the City and Canton of Geneva. The competition will be open to all architects who are nationals of States adhering to the League. An international jury, consisting of well-known architects from Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, Austria and Switzerland, will examine the plans submitted and will decide their order of merit. A sum of 100,000 Swiss francs will be placed at the disposal of the jury for division among the architects who submit the best plans.

The Whips' Duties.

A special three-line whip was sent out by the Government asking Conservative members to be in their places to-night at eleven o'clock, when the third reading of the Irish Free State Land Purchase Guarantee Bill was to be taken. The whip was not really necessary, but was a kind of test. With the whip was issued a sheet giving a list of the Whips and a description of the duties which they have undertaken, as well as the departments that they are to organise. One Whip will be responsible for pairs and another for speakers, while another will look after members desiring to get away occasionally. These matters are somewhat novel departures in party management and, being quite business-like, they ought to prove most useful.

The Return from Moscow.

The members of the trade union deputation who have been on a visit to Moscow—where, according to reports, some of them kissed ancient Bolsheviks and did other extraordinary things—do not seem to be anxious to relate the story of their adventures on returning home. Even the hour of their arrival is to be kept a secret. The proceedings of the delegation in Russia have caused serious anxiety to the General Council of the Trade Union Congress, and a special meeting of the Council was held to-day to consider the position. It was hoped that the visit to Moscow would result in the delegation's return with satisfactory information on the progress of the trade union movement under the Soviet and also with regard to education. The delegation was to write a report, which was to have been published; but it is uncertain now whether any such step will be taken. The members of the party are Mr. A. Purcell, Mr. Fred. Bramley, Mr. Herbert Smith, Mr. Ben. Tillet and Mr. J. Bromley.

Steel Houses.

The "steel houses" to which Mr. Neville Chamberlain referred in the debate on the housing shortage are actually constructed of metal and wood; and they created a favourable impression upon the Minister of Health and the experts who accompanied him to Lord Weir's factory in Scotland last week. Mr. Chamberlain realises, however, that there is a popular prejudice against habitations not constructed of the orthodox materials, and in these circumstances the opportunity which is to be provided for local authorities and prospective occupiers throughout the country to inspect the houses will be welcomed. If it is found that they commend themselves to a considerable proportion of house-hunters, the Municipal Councils which refuse to consider any materials other than bricks and mortar may amend their views. In the meantime the Ministry of Health is not committed either for or against any particular system of construction, but recognises that houses of some kind must be found.

Madame Galli Curci.

Mme. Galli-Curci left London to-day on her return to the United States, where she will spend Christmas with relatives. There was quite a gathering at Waterloo Station to see her off. In reply to questions the prima donna said that she had enjoyed a most wonderful time and, though she had been singing for years before enormous multitudes of people, she had never experienced such warmheartedness as that shown here. Mme. Galli-Curci said that she was not inclined to regard the future of singing as very bright; for the old Italian school had declined and there were few great teachers. So far as the *bel canto* was concerned, the future was dark. The Wagner school of vocalism was not helpful to the development of the voice: it merely required good health and sound lungs and neither had much to do with *bel canto*.

Sir Henry Wilson's Diary.

The late Field-Marshal Sir Henry Wilson was in the habit of keeping a diary, and it is said that this will be edited and published. The contents of such a diary should prove of great interest, more particularly to the military world, though in his closing days Sir Henry played a notable part in politics.

The Price of Turkeys.

"Turkeys would be fourpence a pound cheaper this Christmas than last year" was the story told to the confiding housewife last week, but unfortunately it proved to be untrue. At the moment it seems possible that turkeys will cost more than they cost last year; for the demand is very heavy and still increases. An expert on poultry advises the purchaser to take Irish hen turkeys as a change from the Norfolk bird desired by most people. He says that the Irish hen is quite as good as the Norfolk bird, and sometimes even more tender; and, if they are cleaned and put on ice, they will not deteriorate so quickly. The demand for pork is again very heavy, and the butchers complain that all their customers are wanting to purchase legs, the loin taking second place, and the remainder of the animal not being even mentioned.

Wireless Instruments.

The removal of the official ban on the use of foreign-made wireless apparatus has come as a great shock to the British manufacturers; for it is feared that the country will soon be flooded with cheap foreign goods. Meanwhile the Electrical Importers' and Traders' Association states that things will go on very much as they are at present. Except head-phones and valves—the latter are specially made in Holland for the British market—instruments are standardised on the American principle of "broadcast" sets, so that the British manufacturers have not much to fear, said a member. "I do not anticipate that complete sets will be sent to England unless foreign manufacturers find it well worth their while specially to adjust their machinery."

PREBENDARY W. M. SMITH DORRIEN.

The Rev. Prebendary W. M. Smith Dorrien, Vicar of Crediton, Devon, for the past twenty-four years, died at Bournemouth early yesterday morning. He was a bachelor, and was 75 years of age.

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THE question of the regi[...] Anglo-Irish Treaty a[...] rais[...] in the House of Com[...] by Mr. Rose, the Labour me[...] Aberdeen.

He asked the Secretary [...] Foreign Affairs:—

IRELAND'S P[...]

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THE TREATY PROBLEM.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S ANSWER.

COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS.

"NOT GOVERNED BY ARTICLE 18."

AN IRISH VIEW.

THE question of the registration of the Anglo-Irish Treaty at Geneva was raised in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. Rose, the Labour member for North Aberdeen.

He asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs:—

If he would state why the British Government had given notice to the Secretariate of the League of Nations stating that matters affecting the Irish Free State are not, in their opinion, within the ambit of the League's authority;

Would he state the reasons which actuated His Majesty's Government in arriving at such a decision;

Whether any intimation of the Government's view had been circulated to the Governments which were members of the League, and what replies, if any, had been received?

Mr. Chamberlain—His Majesty's Government have made no such statement. They have, however, informed the Secretary-General of the League of Nations that, in their opinion, the terms of Article 18 of the Covenant are not applicable to the Articles of Agreement for a Treaty between Great Britain and Ireland, signed on the 6th December, 1921. The ground for this action, as stated in the letter addressed by His Majesty's Government to the Secretary-General, was that since the Covenant came into force His Majesty's Government have consistently taken the view that neither it nor any conventions concluded under the auspices of the League are intended to govern the relations *inter se* of the various parts of the British Commonwealth. The letter from His Majesty's Government to the Secretary-General has been circulated to members of the League in the usual manner.

IRELAND'S POSITION.

STATEMENT BY LEAGUE OF NATIONS SOCIETY.

A statement regarding the registration of the Treaty between Great Britain and Ireland has been sent by the League of Nations Society of Ireland to the Secretary-General of the International Federation of League of Nations Societies and to the societies throughout the world composing the Federation. This Federation is composed of thirty-six societies in as many different nations, including some which are not yet members of the League—notably, America, Germany and Turkey. The Irish Society was admitted to membership last June at an assembly of all the societies' delegates held at Lyons.

The text of the statement is as follows:—

Important issues are raised, not merely for Ireland and for the British Commonwealth, but for the League of Nations as a whole, by the communication to the League forwarded by the British Government on November 27th. This Note contends that neither the Covenant of the League nor any Convention concluded under its auspices can govern the relationship between the various portions of the British Commonwealth, and that, therefore, Article 18 of the Covenant is not applicable to the Anglo-Irish Treaty of 1921.

The League of Nations Society of Ireland finds it necessary to place its views on the subject before the other Societies, which are members of the Federation of the League of Nations Societies. The League of Nations Society of Ireland is not a political body. Its purpose is to uphold the principles of the League of Nations, and to do all in its power to gain the fullest support among the people of Ireland for the League's great aims—the establishment of peace and justice among all the nations. It must, therefore, enter a protest against any attempt whatever to detract from the authority of the League, or from Ireland's position as a member thereof.

The provision making the registration of treaties obligatory was at the time of the establishment of the League universally regarded as one of the great steps forward then taken towards the abolition of secret diplomacy and the development of just and open relations between the nations. The scope of registration was purposely left wide so as to include "every treaty or international engagement." In the rules for registration laid down by the Council on May 19, 1920, it was expressly stated that the material to be registered "comprises not only every formal treaty of whatsoever character and every international convention, but also any other international engagement or act by which nations or their Governments intend to establish legal obligations between themselves and another State, nation, or Government." It was also laid down in the Covenant that "no such principle or international engagement shall be binding until so registered."

The Treaty signed on behalf of Great Britain and Ireland on December 6, 1921, forms the basis of the constitutional position of the Irish Free State as an independent member of the British Commonwealth of Nations. As a consequence of the Treaty, Ireland's international position was recognised, and it was received into full membership of the League in September, 1923.

Since, therefore, the Treaty was the instrument by reason of which Ireland entered into the League, and since, undoubtedly, it has "established legal obligations," and since under the Covenant all such documents are only binding when registered, we are of opinion that failure to register the Treaty would virtually have been a repudiation of the Covenant by the Irish Free State.

The British Commonwealth is no longer an Empire, but a political association of free States, organised on a basis of complete constitutional equality under a common Crown, and bound to each other by common interests and by such agreements as have been made with each other. We believe the obligations accepted by the members of the Commonwealth are not inconsistent with those accepted by members of the League, and that the Covenant is equally binding on every member.

The League of Nations Society of Ireland.
SENATOR J. G. DOUGLAS, President.
W. O'CONOR BRADY,
A. LE BROCQUY,
BOLTON C. WALLER, } Officers.

U.S. MILLIONAIRE'S WILL.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Wednesday.

The will of Mr. August Belmont, the American millionaire sportsman and financier, who died suddenly last week, following an operation for blood poisoning, disposes of a fortune estimated at between twenty and forty million dollars.

The whole fortune is left to the Belmont family. Mrs. Belmont, the widow, is left a trust fund of 700,000 dollars, and the Belmont country home. The will provides for a sum of 50,000 dollars for the re-purchase of the famous Belmont pearls from the late millionaire's brother-in-law, Mr. Samuel S. Howland, who is now in London. The pearls are to go to August Belmont the third, and are to remain always in the family.

IRISH IN CANADA.

CENSUS REVEALS BIG CHANGE.

223,000 IN 1871 AND 93,000 IN 1921.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

OTTAWA, Wednesday.

A racial analysis of the 1921 Canadian census, which has been undertaken by the Federal Bureau of Statistics, brings to light some interesting facts. One of these is the enormous gain of the English element in Canada, as distinguished from the Scots and Irish.

In 1871, when the first census was taken, the total population was 3,579,782, of whom just a little short of half a million were natives of the British Isles. Of these Ireland furnished 223,163, England and Wales 146,956, and Scotland 125,202. Scotland and Ireland, with a combined population one-third as large as England's, had sent 2½ times as many emigrants to Canada.

But the census of 1921 shows a surprising change. The British-born element has grown to 1,025,121, although its proportion to the total population has declined from 13.84 to 11.66. But the number of residents in Canada born in England and Wales has increased five-fold, to 700,142, while the Scottish quota has only mounted from 125,202 to 226,483, and the Irish has actually declined from 223,163 to 93,301.

SENATE VACANCY.

FINAL LIST OF NOMINEES.

The final list of nominees for the vacancy in the Free State Senate is:—Dr. Douglas Hyde, Sir Simon Maddock and Sir Walter Nugent. The last-named was formerly a Nationalist member of Parliament for County Westmeath.

The election will take place on the second Wednesday of the next session after the Christmas recess. The election will be, by ballot, every Senator on the first round being entitled to vote for two of the three names. A further ballot will be taken between the two selected on the first vote, and the candidate with a majority of the votes of the Senators present shall be declared elected. If there is no majority a fresh election must be started.

COMPENSATION CLAIMS.

QUESTION OF LIABILITY.

In the House of Commons yesterday, the Attorney-General, Sir D. Hogg, in reply to Sir J. Pennefather, said that he was informed that some Irish loyalists had brought petitions of right, praying for compensation for injuries to personal property, and that the pleas denied the liability of the British Treasury. In so far as the petitions in question related to compensation for injuries in respect of which awards had been, or might have been, made prior to the establishment of the Irish Free State under the Criminal Injuries Act, those Acts at no time conferred upon the claimant any rights against the British Government, but solely against the local authority, and it was not possible, therefore, for His Majesty's Government to admit that any such petition disclosed any right of action against them. In so far as any such petition related to injuries arising subsequent to the establishment of the Irish Free State, His Majesty's Government were advised that the statutory right to compensation for damage to person or property in the Irish Free State was a matter solely within the competence of the Parliament and the Courts of the Irish Free State, and in these cases also it was, therefore, impossible for His Majesty's Government to admit that any statutory or legal liability rested upon them.

WICKLOW RIOT SEQUEL.

SEVERAL MEN ARRESTED.

Early yesterday morning, says our Wicklow Correspondent, the Civic Guards raided several houses in order to arrest members of the Transport Union for alleged implication in Monday's disturbances on the quays. Two men, Byrne and Vickers, were arrested, but the other wanted men were not at home. Later, however, arrests were made at several places.

Mr. M. J. Everett, T.D., had been removed at midnight to the County Hospital under medical care. It will be remembered that he had to undergo a serious operation a year ago. Guards were placed in the premises, and at midday he was formally arrested and charged with being a participator in the riot.

Other arrests were:—J. Conroy, local secretary to the Union; P. Sullivan Noctor, and Thomas and Joseph Doyle, who had been remanded in custody since Monday, arrived from Mountjoy. It was market day in the town, and a large crowd gathered about the Courthouse cheering the prisoners.

The accused men were brought before Mr Liam Price, District Justice.

Evidence was given by a number of Civic Guards for the prosecution, and by Mr. Everett and others for the defence, and the accused were remanded on bail to the Circuit Court on the 3rd February.

Mr. J. McArdle, solicitor, appeared for the defendants.

On Tuesday night at eight o'clock a bomb was thrown into the building known as the "Marine," at Wicklow. The "Marine" once served as a hotel. Afterwards it became the residence and school of the De la Salle Christian Brothers, who still own it; but for a time it had been occupied by the National Army. At present it is occupied only by a caretaker named Byrne, with his wife and family. The bomb damaged the walls, ceiling and windows of a room, and the caretaker, his wife and children, were obliged to leave the premises.

CONTINENTAL VISITORS.

CORK ARRANGEMENTS CANCELLED.

At the Cork Harbour Board yesterday, it was announced that the arrangements for the entertainment of Continental visitors who were expected to visit Cork in connection with the proposal to develop Haulbowline had been cancelled.

Sir John Scott complained that although a member of the sub-committee he had got no intimation of the cancellation.

The Chairman (Mr. Horgan) said that no discourtesy was meant, but he did not want to commit the Board to unnecessary expenditure.

By a majority of nineteen votes to three, Mr. Andrew Fitzgerald was appointed to the position of Superintendent Mechanical Engineer, which was rendered vacant by the resignation of Mr. Buckley.

CANADIAN WOMAN M.P. ON MEN.

TORONTO, Wednesday.

At the closing of the session to-day of the Convention of United Farm Women of Ontario, Miss Agnes MacPhail, the only woman member of the Dominion House of Commons, deplored the fact that the beautiful continuity of the morning session has been broken by the women taking the afternoon off to listen to a lot of men at the meeting of the United Farmers of Ontario, whose chief stock-in-trade is to make a mess of things.

She hoped care would be taken by the farm women to side-step future invitations of a similar character.—(Reuter.)

Following the Communist revolt in Esthonia, a new Cabinet, embracing members of all political parties, except the Communists, has been formed.

The Pope has created M. Rodolphe Lemieux, Speaker of the Canadian House of Commons, Commander of the Order of St. Gregory the Great.—(Reuter.)

WHEAT CULTURE IN IRELAND.

NO SUBSIDY FOR GROWERS.

BEET TO INCREASE TILLAGE.

Mr. Hogan, Minister for Lands and Agriculture, in the course of a speech on Professor Drew's address at the National University Agricultural Society, agreed that the growing of wheat was a national problem. That, of right, was matter which the Government of any country must consider from a national point of view. "We cannot," he added, "allow the supply of such an essential food to depend on factors over which we have no control."

Seeking elucidation of this statement, an *Irish Times* representative interviewed Mr. Hogan yesterday. When asked if there was any intention to subsidise wheat growing in this country, Mr. Hogan said: "It is not proposed, nor has it been decided to give a subsidy to wheat growers. I am not a member of the Government. I am responsible to the Dail, and I am merely expressing the Department's view on the matter. It may very well be that some proposal for the development of wheat growing will be put before the Minister of Finance. There are various ways in which this might be done, and as wheat is an essential food we think that its growth should be increased."

On being asked if this meant that some scheme of compulsory tillage was in contemplation, Mr. Hogan replied: "Emphatically, no. It would be all compulsion and no tillage."

Our representative then inquired if it was intended to adopt Professor Drew's suggestion—that bakers should be compelled to use a proportion of flour made from Irish wheat. In reply, Mr. Hogan pointed out that a similar matter was being investigated in England, and would no doubt be also dealt with here.

With regard to increasing tillage, the Government had before them the sugar beet proposition, and much could be effected in that way.

DISCUSSING THE BOUNDARY.

VISIT TO THE DUKE OF ABERCORN.

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

OMAGH, Wednesday.

The Boundary Commissioners to-day made no lengthy tour of the border districts. After their journey from Enniskillen yesterday they spent the night at Newtownstewart. This morning they visited Omagh, the county town of Tyrone and met representative bodies of local Unionists and Nationalists.

The Commissioners' arrival here attracted some attention, but not enough to draw half-a-dozen people from their houses. The party reached the town before noon, and stopped outside the courthouse, just in front of a monument erected to the men of the Inniskillings who fell in the Boer War.

Mr. Justice Feetham, on dismounting from his car, walked over to the monument—which, by the way, is surmounted by a Union Jack—and examined the inscriptions on the panels.

After a visit to the Protestant and Roman Catholic churches, the Commissioners went to the Town Hall, where they were visited by a number of prominent Tyrone Nationalists. The visitors included the Very Rev. Monsignor P. O'Doherty, parish priest of Omagh; Dean Quinn, of Dungannon; the Rev. J. Rogers, Carrickmore; Mr. T. F. Harbison, ex-M.P.; Mr. Alexander E. Donnelly, solicitor; Mr. Henry McGill, Chairman of Omagh Urban Council; Messrs. William McConville, James McGillion, Thomas O'Kane, and John Goris.

After the interview, which lasted about half-an-hour, the three Commissioners went to the Courthouse, where they were met by Mr. R. H. Carson, Crown Solicitor; Dr. Thompson, High Sheriff; and Mr. Claud Hamilton, Secretary of Tyrone County Council.

A few minutes later several prominent local Unionists came in a body to the Courthouse, and had a thirty minutes' talk with the Commissioners. Among them were:—Mr. W. E. Orr, solicitor, Unionist election agent for Tyrone-Fermanagh; Captain W. H. Fyffe, solicitor; Mr. Thomas Johnston, Urban Councillor; Mr. D. A. Clements, Urban Councillor; Mr. James Doris, Chairman of Dungannon Urban Council; Mr. James E. Johnston, County Councillor; Mr. Robert Rogers, Urban Councillor; and Mr. R. D. Green.

After the interview the Commissioners chatted for a few minutes with the Crown Solicitor and others, and then left for Newtownstewart.

In the afternoon the Commissioners called on the Duke of Abercorn, Governor of Northern Ireland, at his residence, Baronscourt, a couple of miles from Newtownstewart. Then they inspected Sion Mills, in the neighbourhood of Newtownstewart, and returned to their hotel for dinner.

To-morrow they will visit, among other places, Strabane, but will return to Newtownstewart in the evening.

BRITISH SUGAR BEET.

REFINERS OPPOSE SUBSIDY.

The British Sugar Refiners' Association have issued the following statement:—

"We hear that the Government propose to introduce resolutions on Thursday next granting large subsidies to home-grown beet sugar. We further understand that these resolutions are not yet in the hands of members of Parliament. We desire to enter an emphatic protest against the course proposed by the Government of rushing through so important a matter involving a highly intricate and technical sugar scale, and seriously affecting other already established interests.

"The principle involved in the whole question is the granting of a 100 p.c. subsidy on a finished article in competition with an already established home industry. The British sugar refiners hold that the subsidy should stop at the production of the raw article. There is grave danger that in attempting to establish an industry, the future of which will be precarious at the best, the Government will deal a mortal blow at an old-established industry, which has proved itself capable of standing against fierce foreign competition, unaided by the State."

SPANISH AUTHOR DEFIANT.

IBANEZ REFUSES TO APPEAR BEFORE COURTMARTIAL.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Wednesday.

Senor Blasco Ibanez, the Spanish author of "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," has been summoned to appear before a court-martial at Madrid, to answer for his violent attack on the King and Directorate, in his book, "Alphonso XIII. Unmasked." I found him here this evening preparing to leave to-morrow for Mentone, where he is to spend Christmas.

"As I do not recognise the military government in Spain," he said, "I do not admit its right to hale me before one of its courts. I have every intention of remaining in France until a Republic is proclaimed, or Spain returns to a constitutional *régime*."

He added that he had no knowledge that any step had been taken by the Directorate to obtain his extradition, and I find at the Quai d'Orsay that the likelihood of such a step is not regarded seriously here.

The Madrid newspaper *A B C* declares that all the efforts of Senor Blasco Ibanez abroad have failed miserably. The paper also announces that it has cancelled all its literary contracts with the author.

Goods rates on French railways are to be increased by 7.4 per cent. as from January 1st next.

WERNHER GEMS MYSTERY.

"NOW SAFE IN LONDON."

REWARD PAID.

POLICE THEORY OF A MASTER MIND.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Wednesday.

The famous Wernher jewels and antiques, reputed to be worth a quarter of a million pounds, are safe in London. They were stolen from Bath House, Piccadilly, last June. It was stated to-day that they were recovered intact as far back as July last, but it was not until to-day that Lady Ludlow, the owner of the gems, bequeathed to her on the death of her first husband, the late Sir Julius Wernher, who made the collection, was aware of their return. Interesting developments are shortly to be expected.

Entertaining stories of how the jewels were carried off to satisfy the envy and avarice of an American millionaire connoisseur; how they arrived in America, and how, after the man's death, the thieves attempted to dispose of their booty, were told to-day.

It was learned to-night, however, that it is highly improbable that any one of the jewels left London. The colossal risks attendant on smuggling such a collection out of the country were never run.

The real facts are that the robbery took place on June 11, and was duly reported to the police. Scotland Yard spread their net in all directions in an attempt to catch the thieves, and full descriptions of the jewels and antiques were published almost throughout the world. The police did not discover any real clue, but their inquiries never stopped. About a month after the theft, the police got information that an effort was being made by some person to obtain the reward of £5,000 offered for the return of the property, and they carried out inquiries with the object of discovering in whose hands were the jewels.

Next the police were told that the jewels had been returned, though they did not know until this week that the collection was not back at Bath House. As previously stated, the collection is in safe keeping in London.

Scotland Yard are still hopeful—though the robbery is now several months old—of placing someone in the dock in connection with it. Its officers have a shrewd idea who was implicated, but it is one thing to have ideas or opinions, and another to secure evidence which would bring about a conviction. It is believed that the master-mind is well known among the criminal fraternity.

It is understood that the reward for the recovery of the gems has been paid.

The Wernher collection is composed of magnificent jewels and jewelled ornaments, which could never be replaced. The whole of the collection is said to be worth £1,000,000. Sir Julius left estate estimated at more than £11,000,000. Lady Ludlow, reputed to be the richest woman in England, married Lord Ludlow in 1919. Lord Ludlow was killed in the hunting field in 1922.

FRENCH DEBT FUNDING.

"A VAST OPERATION" PROMISED.

PARIS, Wednesday.

M. Clementel, Minister of Finance, to-day informed the Chamber Finance Commission that he was preparing a "vast operation of consolidation and redemption," which he would undertake at the beginning of the new year.—(Reuter.)

MORGAN MANUSCRIPTS.

ORIGINAL OF "PARADISE LOST."

NEW YORK (By Mail).

The most notable exhibition of manuscripts ever held publicly in New York is now on view in the exhibition room of the New York Public Library, the material being from the collection of the late Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, continued by his son.

The exhibition is considered remarkable, not only because it contains the original manuscripts of some of the most celebrated works of English literature, but because of its breadth and completeness. Excepting, perhaps, Shakespeare, Chaucer and Spenser, there are few important names among English authors that are not represented among the treasures.

On view are Milton's manuscript of "Paradise Lost," dictated to an amanuensis as sent to the printer, the MS. of Thackeray's "Vanity Fair," a number of MSS. of Sir Walter Scott's novels, Dr. Johnson's "Life of Pope," and the manuscript of Stevenson's "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde."

One of the cases contains a valuable collection of Dickens manuscripts, including the transcript in the author's own hand of "The Christmas Carol" and the "Cricket on the Hearth."—(Reuter.)

OPIUM-PRODUCING STATES.

WILL NOT AGREE TO AMERICAN PROPOSALS.

GENEVA, December 17.

There was a breezy discussion yesterday in the Sub-Committee of the opium producing States in connection with Article 1 of the American plan to limit the production of opium and coca leaves to medical and scientific requirements.

The upshot of the discussion was that, with the exception of Egypt, none of the producing States was able to agree to the American proposal as it stands at present, and a report in that sense will be submitted to the Plenary Conference in January.

The other Sub-Committees have practically concluded their labours, and the delegates are already leaving.—(Reuter.)

LEAKAGE OF U.S. NAVAL INFORMATION.

BOARD OF INQUIRY ORDERED.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday.

The Secretary of the Navy announces that he has ordered a Naval Court of Inquiry at the New York Navy Yard to investigate the unauthorised publication of information regarding naval matters, which might be of value to possible enemy countries.

He adds that, although the Navy Department is not contemplating a general order "muzzling" Navy officers from giving free expressions to their opinions, it is determined to prevent the spreading of information of naval or military value to another nation.

On the report of the Board of Inquiry, the Secretary of the Navy will decide whether the facts warrant the ordering of a court martial for any officer for the purpose of taking disciplinary measures.—(Reuter.)

ALGERIAN RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

CONSTANTINE, Wednesday.

A train from Philippeville to Constantine, Algeria, was derailed this afternoon at the entrance to a tunnel half a mile from Constantine. The engine driver, a postal official and several soldiers are reported to have been killed, while eighteen persons were injured, three seriously.—(Reuter.)

END OF PERSIAN REVOLT.

TEHERAN, Wednesday.

The Prime Minister has telegraphed from Nasera that he has appointed General Fazl Ullah Khan to be Governor-General of Arabistan where the troops, recently employed in the expedition against the Sheikh of Mohammerah, will remain as garrison.

The Premier, considering that the trouble in Arabistan has been settled, will go on pilgrimage to the holy places in Mesopotamia. It is stated that the journey will have no official character.

CHRISTMAS FOWL IN DUBLIN.

PLENTIFUL AND CHEAP.

There is, apparently, no reason to anticipate any shortage of turkeys or geese during the Christmas season in Dublin.

The market for Christmas fowl opened on Tuesday with good supplies, and the indications are that the number of birds on offer will be plentiful right up to Monday next, when the wholesale trade will virtually cease. By that time retailers will have ordered what they require to meet the big demand which is expected on the eve of the holidays.

Prices at present are at such a level that housewives are tempted to invest in either turkeys or geese, and if the mild, damp weather conditions continue there is no reason to anticipate an advance. In the Dublin market yesterday turkeys ranged from 1s. to 1s. 4d. per lb., and geese from 8d. to 10d., and 1s. in the case of fancy birds.

The size and condition of the turkeys are not as good as in former years, because of the wet summer, but taking this into consideration, the quality of the turkeys on offer is regarded as satisfactory.

Last year, it will be remembered, the price of turkeys slumped considerably a day before Christmas, but there is no reason to expect such an occurrence again.

Dublin is not affected directly by imports of birds from the Continent. That trade is confined chiefly to London, but the effect of heavy dumping there would be reflected here by the restriction of Irish exports.

UNREST IN AFRICA.

TRIBES AGAINST THE HERTZOG POLICY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CAPETOWN, Wednesday.

The whole native population in South Africa seems suddenly to have developed into a state of unrest. General Hertzog's announcement that he is determined to try to include Bechuanaland in the Union of South Africa has caused great excitement amongst the natives of that territory.

In an interview, Chief Sekgoma, the biggest native chief in Bechuanaland, says:—"We are a contented tribe, and not like others under the Union Government. I strongly oppose any effort to include us in the Union. My father and myself have always been treated with the greatest consideration by the Imperial Government. It is my earnest wish to live and die under the Imperial Government as my father did wish."

Meanwhile the independent native State of Basutoland is alarmed at General Hertzog's annexation policy. Recently the Governor-General, the Earl of Athlone, received a deputation of all the chiefs, who begged him to allow the present form of Government to continue, and not to remove the "blanket which Queen Victoria placed over us."

News has just come from South-West Africa, the Union's mandatory territory, that one of the largest native tribes, the Rehoboths, are on the verge of rebellion. It is declared here that gun-runners have been supplying rifles and ammunition to this tribe.

Farmers in the vicinity are appealing for help, and mounted police are being drafted into the district. The Rehoboths have always governed themselves, but it is expected that in a few days a proclamation will be read announcing that the administration will take over all control.

THE LATE MR. GOMPERS.

BODY LYING IN STATE.

NEW YORK, Wednesday.

Through the rain-swept streets, a gun carriage, drawn by six white horses, to-day bore the bronze casket containing the coffin of Samuel Gompers, the late President of the American Federation of Labour, from Pennsylvania Railway Station to the Elks Club, where the body will lie in state until to-morrow morning, when it will be interred in the historic Sleepy Hollow Cemetery at Tarrytown.

The casket rests beneath an open Bible and the many antlers ornamenting the club walls. At the windows and all over the front of the many storeyed building great folds of black crepe hung dropping in the rain while a slow-moving procession of men and women silently filed past the bier. Three aged friends and co-workers of Mr. Gompers watched over the casket, including Mr. David Levy, who worked on the same bench as the deceased forty years ago.—(Reuter.)

RELIGIOUS CRISIS IN CONSTANTINOPLE.

NEW PATRIARCH AND THE TURKS.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Wednesday.

The election of Monsignor Constantine, Metropolitan of Dercon to the Œcumenical Patriarchate, seems likely to give rise to a certain amount of trouble, because it is held here that Monsignor Constantine is exchangeable under the Convention dealing with the exchange of Greek and Turkish populations.

Yesterday Monsignor Constantine and three other Metropolitans were warned by the police that they were subject to the provisions of the exchange agreement, and that they would be required to leave Constantinople at an early date.

The bishops claim exemption on the ground of their sacerdotal calling, and of the Clause of the Lausanne Treaty providing for the maintenance of the Patriarchate in Constantinople.—(Reuter.)

MR. MACDONALD'S VOYAGE.

TO BE BACK FOR THE REASSEMBLY.

There have been many rumours during the past few days that Mr. Macdonald intends in the near future to relinquish his position as Leader of the Opposition, states *The Times*. Nothing, however, is further from his intent, and his political friends are convinced that the rest which his coming holiday will afford will enable him to continue his work for the Labour Party when the House of Commons reassembles in February.

Mr. Macdonald leaves Avonmouth on Monday, and does not expect to return to England until a day or so before the reassembly of Parliament on February 10th. He will visit Kingston, Jamaica, Port Limon, Costa Rica, and Cristobal, Panama, returning to Kingston, where he hopes to remain for a fortnight before sailing for England.

METHODIST RE-UNION.

DECISIVE VOTE TO HEAL SPLIT.

The local Circuits of the Primitive Methodist denomination have voted decisively in favour of the union of the Wesleyan Primitive Methodist and United Methodist Churches.

Of the official boards voting, 575 were in favour of union, 92 against, and 11 reported equal numbers.

The individual votes recorded in favour of union were 11,584, with 3,799 against.

GERMAN TRADE RELATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday.

Such strong opposition to the proposed Commercial Treaty with Germany has developed in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that a sub-committee has been delegated to confer with Mr. Hughes, the Secretary of State, with a view to certain modifications in the draft.

The negotiations for an economic accord between France and Germany have again been interrupted owing to the death of the father of the principal German delegate here, Herr von Trendelenburg. The latter has left for Berlin, and the negotiations will be resumed upon his return.—(Reuter.)

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

ECONOMIC POLICY EXPLAINED.

HOME INDUSTRIES TO BE PROTECTED.

MR. BALDWIN STATES HIS CASE.

FROM OUR PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT.

WESTMINSTER, Wednesday.

The House of Commons entered upon the final stage of the debate on the Address this afternoon, and members were present early. A very long list of comparatively unimportant questions was disposed of before the more important business was begun.

The Socialists found a new grievance to-day. Asked by Mr. Ponsonby what was the reason for cancelling the invitations sent to Mr. Bertrand Russell and Mr. Lowes Dickinson to serve on the Committee to be set up under the China Indemnity Bill, Mr. Chamberlain said that the reason was that, on reconsideration, it was found that the composition of the Committee, the numbers of which it was important to keep small, was not sufficiently representative, and, in particular, that it included no member of practical experience in the educational organisation of China.

IMPERIAL PREFERENCE.

There was quite a number of big speeches in the House to-night on the subject of Imperial Preference, which was raised by the Liberal Party's amendment regretting that, while making no mention of constructive proposals for dealing with unemployment, the Speech from the Throne foreshadowed the introduction of tariffs and preference, which would increase the burden of taxation, raise prices, increase the cost of living, hamper industry and reduce employment.

The attack on the Government was opened by Captain Wedgwood-Benn, who seemed strangely out of place in his seat beneath the gallery on the Opposition side of the House. In a high-pitched voice, Captain Benn proceeded to make out a case for Free Trade. The speech was plentifully interspersed with questions, and both the Premier and Mr. Churchill found it no easy task to make a note of the various points on which the speaker sought information. Was the Prime Minister quite certain, in his own mind, that the proposals he had in view would not involve the taxation of food? These were only a few of the more important questions to which the hon. member for Leith demanded a categorical reply.

THE PREMIER'S CASE.

The Prime Minister lost no time in taking up the challenge that had been thrown to him. He never doubted for a moment that Captain Benn would remain a staunch champion of Free Trade, even if deserted by Mr. Lloyd George, whom he observed sitting immediately behind him. Beginning with the assertion that economic conditions were bound to remain unstable until Europe was more settled politically, the Premier proceeded to outline some of the proposals for improving matters at home which the Government had in mind.

In the first place, it had been decided that shipbuilding should once more have the right of access to the Trade Facilities Committee. Grants to local committees and public utility societies would be continued. Every effort would be made to encourage the home sugar beet industry. Big electrical schemes which would benefit the country would be sympathetically examined.

Then came the assurance for which Captain Wedgwood Benn has asked. The Government, said Mr. Baldwin, had no mandate for Protection, and they had no intention of using the Safeguarding of Industries Act as a wedge in that direction. But though they had no mandate for Protection, they had a perfectly clear mandate for safeguarding home industries.

The one condition which would entitle an industry to the benefit of that Act was that it should be one of substantial importance, and that it should be efficient. Further, it must be one which was subjected to exceptional competition by reasons of depreciated exchanges, subsidies, low wages, and so on. Any duty levied on foreign goods under such conditions would be a general, and not a particular one.

On the question of Preference, it was the intention of the Government to bring before the House the resolutions passed at the Economic Conference, which involved reductions of duty. These resolutions would be included in the forthcoming Budget. Answering the suggestion that the Government's proposals would mean the taxation of food, the Premier said that he intended to stand literally by his word—that there would be no additional taxation on food, and he explained how it would be accomplished.

AN ECONOMIC COMMITTEE.

It was proposed to set up an Economic Committee of a purely advisory character, with specific references, to consider the possibility of improved methods of preparing for market and marketing within the United Kingdom food products of Overseas parts of the Empire, with a view to increasing the consumption in the United Kingdom, in preference to imports from foreign countries, and promoting the interests of producers and consumers.

It was impossible to get a complete system of Preference until such time as the country consented to taxes on food of normal and general consumption; but such taxation was not to-day practical politics. Broadly speaking, what he proposed was that a full money equivalent of the advantages which had been conferred on the Empire under the duties which were not retained should be devoted to schemes for developing the trade of the Empire, and, in the first place, developing schemes of marketing. The money allocated for this purpose was round about a million a year.

The first two things that it was proposed to ask the Committee to take into consideration were meat and fruit. That could not be dealt with by taxation, but he thought it was not beyond the wit of man to devise some scheme which, without the taxation of food, would better the course of trade, so that overseas produce could be brought into this country in preference to foreign commodities.

FREE TRADE.

Mr. Philip Snowden, the Socialist Chancellor of the Exchequer, contended that the continued commercial prosperity of the country depended upon the maintainance of a Free Trade policy. What really was the difference between the safeguarding of industries and Protection? One was Tweedledum and the other Tweedledee.

Mr. Lloyd George characterised the statement of the Prime Minister as a grave change in our fiscal system. It really amounted to a general tariff. He contended that the operations of the proposals which had been outlined would seriously interfere with industries in this country which were dependent upon the importation of semi-manufactured goods. The Government's policy would, he believed, lead to disaster.

Sir P. Cunliffe-Lister, as President of the Board of Trade, said that there was nothing new or unexpected in the statement of the Prime Minister. All that was really proposed was to safeguard an industry which was, under present conditions, exposed to unfair foreign competition.

Mr. William Graham, the late Financial Secretary, declared that, whatever the Prime Minister might say, he was, in effect, raising the whole Protectionist question. That was not at all to be regretted, since it meant that they had thereby materially shortened their life as a Government.

Mr. Churchill, who wound up the debate, said that what the Government had got a mandate for was Imperial Preference, without the addition of taxes on food, and to apply the principle of the Safeguarding of Industries Act without the institution of a general tariff. The Government proposed to introduce a bill dealing with important industries, in which widespread unemployment was likely to be caused by unfair foreign competition.

The amendment was defeated by 339 votes to 151, and the House agreed to the Address.

FREE STATE LAND PURCHASE.

The Irish Free State Land Purchase Loan Guarantee Bill was read a third time.

Owing to the impossibility of concluding a commercial treaty before January 10th, 1925, it is probable that France and Germany will maintain provisionally the *status quo*.

A man who had worked on week-days and Sundays for twenty-five years in Pana, Illinois, without a day's holiday, celebrated his silver wedding by a day off. He spent his holiday with his wife and their twelve children.

LATE NEWS.

A DUBLIN CASTLE INTERVIEW.

SIR NEVIL MACREADY'S RECOLLECTIONS.

In the course of a letter to *The Times*, Sir Nevil Macready writes:—In your issue of November 25th a letter appeared over the signature of Sir J. B. Dougherty, commenting on my narrative of an interview at Dublin Castle between that gentleman and myself in April, 1914 (page 185, "Annals of an Active Life"). Since the appearance of Sir James Dougherty's letter I have been travelling on the Continent and was unable at an earlier date to consult my diary bearing on the incident.

The conversation with Sir Arthur Paget, on which Sir James lays much stress, was purposely omitted by me as being of no particular interest, merely a discussion, in which I was hardly concerned, as to how the Dublin Castle authorities would give effect to the orders of the Cabinet. As I have pointed out on page 188 of my book, at no time, so far as I am aware, was there any intention of my being appointed a "Military Governor" in the North. As regards that part of the interview in which I was personally interested, when Sir James became annoyed because I demurred at digging up somebody's estate on the off-chance of discovering buried arms, not only is my memory clear, but I made a very full note of the occurrence, because it struck me at the time as indicative of the atmosphere then pervading Dublin official circles. No doubt, the excitement of the moment was responsible for Sir James's voice being raised above its normal pitch, and the circumstance was hardly one which I could have imagined or invented. Sir James is in error in stating that in the event of his requiring military aid in the North the proper course would have been to apply to Sir Arthur Paget. On Page 175 he would have seen that so far as disturbances in Ulster were concerned I was not in any way under the Commander-in-Chief, and that, therefore, requests for military assistance would have been appropriately addressed direct to me.

Sir James Dougherty takes great exception to my reference to the gun-running by the Irish Volunteers at Howth on July 26th, 1914, on the plea that the occurrence was far beyond the limits of my command, and thus afforded no scope for my activities. I suggest, however, that no description of the state of Ireland at that time would be complete without a passing reference to an event, which, if the Great War had not intervened, would assuredly have led to bloodshed in the near future, and which, as is now well known, furnished the rebels of 1916 with, at all events, a proportion of the arms they required.

THE GERMAN DEADLOCK.

FAILURE TO FORM A CABINET.

The Times observes, in a leading article:—Yesterday evening Herr Stresemann, the Leader of the People's Party, had to inform President Ebert that he had failed to form a Government, at all events for the present. The Centre would not join a Cabinet which included Nationalist members, and Herr Stresemann's own party insisted that a *bourgeois bloc* is the only Government possible. Herr Stresemann approached his late colleague, Herr Marx, and asked him to guarantee at least the benevolent neutrality of the Centre for a combination of Nationalists and People's Party, but Herr Marx could not or would not give the desired pledge. It is now expected that the President will invite a member of the Centre or a deputy unattached to any party to undertake the negotiations.

Herr Stresemann was not, it is stated, himself a candidate for the Chancellorship. The Leader of the People's Party would prefer to retain, under the Coalition with the Nationalists favoured by his party, the post of Foreign Minister, which he filled under Herr Marx. That arrangement would, at all events, have had the advantage of leaving foreign affairs more or less in the hands of a statesman who has shared with Herr Marx responsibility for the wise and moderate policy they have followed together in the face of many difficulties. But it is not at all clear that, if the Nationalists are allowed to join the Coalition which Herr Stresemann and his friends contemplate, they can be trusted to give that policy a loyal acceptance. They have their extremists to reckon with, Prussians of the old stamp, men who have learned nothing and forgotten nothing, who continue loudly to contend for the repudiation of war guilt, the revision of the Dawes scheme as well as of the Peace Treaties, the return of the German Colonies, resistance to the control of disarmament, and extension of the German frontiers. Herr Stresemann hopes to get the Nationalists to give guarantees that they will allow him to continue the foreign policy he has hitherto pursued. They have not given any such guarantees as yet, and their newspapers have been loud in protest against the suggestion that they should give them.

THE RAND DISTURBANCES.

CHARGE AGAINST BRITISH OFFICER.

JOHANNESBURG, Wednesday.

The burning at Benoni of the Workers' Hall, the Revolutionaries' headquarters, during the Rand revolt in March, 1922, is still engaging the attention of those concerned, and recently attempts have been made to fix the responsibility for the burning of these premises on Major Ford, the officer commanding the Transvaal Scottish, who took an active part in the suppression of the outbreak. It is understood to-day that the South African Mineworkers' Union has instructed its solicitors to demand from Major Ford the immediate payment of approximately £12,897 damages caused by the destruction of the hall. The demand adds that unless payment is made by December 18th a summons will be issued forthwith.

Major Ford, in the course of an interview, confirmed this news, and said that he had referred the demand to the Government. It is now stated that three weeks ago an order for Major Ford to appear before the Benoni Police Court to answer a charge of having burned down the hall was suddenly countermanded. It is understood that this step was followed by a conference at Pretoria, but nothing has been disclosed, and it is presumed that the Government has dropped the matter, leaving the Miners' Union to bring a civil action.

THE SPANISH ZONE OF MOROCCO.

The Times Paris Correspondent states, in a message yesterday:—While France is following attentively the development of events in the Spanish zone in Morocco, there is no disposition to take an alarmist view of the situation. If Spain can consolidate her position in Morocco and secure tranquillity in her zone, it will be an immense relief to France. There is no desire to add to the many problems which are engaging the attention of the Government by the extension of French responsibility in Morocco, an extension which would involve heavy military expenditure and might affect the friendly relations which exist with Spain and Italy. All that France desires is that she may be allowed to pursue the peaceful development of her Moroccan zone without fear of turbulence on the frontiers.

JAPANESE EMPEROR'S SON GOING TO OXFORD.

TOKIO, Wednesday.

Prince Yasunito, the second son of the Emperor of Japan, will sail for Europe on May 11. He intends to spend two years at Oxford, and possibly to remain in England for four years. Social problems will be his principal study.—(*Times* Telegram per Press Association Copyright.)

NOT GUILTY OF WIFE'S SHOP-LIFTING.

PARIS, Wednesday.

M. Joseph Henry, the head warder of the Mauritius Prisons, who was sentenced to three month's imprisonment on September 24, on the ground that he was responsible for the acts of his wife and children, who were found guilty of shoplifting, was yesterday acquitted by the Court of Appeal.—(Reuter.)

THE RAILWAYS BILL

PASSED THROUGH THE SENATE.

CONFERENCE ON THE LICENSING BILL.

There was a short sitting of the Senate yesterday, when the Railways (Directorate) Bill was under consideration. A motion to reject the measure owing to the proposal to nominate a representative of the London, Midland and Scottish Company on the Board of Directors of the Amalgamated Companies was rejected by a large majority, and the bill passed through all its stages.

THE LICENSING BILL.

PROPOSAL FOR AGREEMENT.

When Lord Glenavy took the chair he announced that it was the intention of a deputy in the Dail to move on Friday that a conference of representatives of the Senate and the Dail should meet with a view to adjusting the differences which had arisen over the Intoxicating Liquor Bill, 1924. In the event of such a resolution being passed, it would be necessary for the Senate to meet and pass a similar resolution. For this purpose he asked the members to be prepared to meet again on Friday at 1 o'clock, as the motion would then have been passed the Dail.

RAILWAYS (DIRECTORATE) BILL.

On the second stage of the Railways (Directorate) Bill, 1924,

Colonel Moore said that he regretted that this bill had ever been proposed. No doubt the Government had yielded to the pleading of people interested in railways, and so damaged not only themselves, but also the Free State. The proposal was to nominate the representative of a particular railway in England to a position on the Board of Directors of the United Railways. He knew of no proposal more likely to raise hostility in the Free State to the Government than this proposal to interfere with the State's industries. They had, during past years struggled against English influence over Irish industries, and he did not know why the Government had accepted it. What was the sum of £20,000 given by the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company for? Was it for the benefit of any-one but the London, Midland and Scottish Railway and its clients in England. What was it that the English railways were trying to get? The concessions that they sought were through rates, by means of which goods could be conveyed from, say, Manchester to Athlone, at a lower rate than from Dublin to Athlone. These railways, in his opinion, were going to get a stranglehold on Ireland's industries. He concluded by moving the rejection of the measure.

Mr. Dowdall, in seconding the rejection of the bill, said that there was no one who believed that the nomination of a London, Midland and Scottish director was to serve any other purpose than that of advancing the interests of the London, Midland and Scottish, and of its clients, the English traders. This was satisfactory from the English point of view. Evidently the London, Midland and Scottish thought the same, and through a directorship on the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway sought to secure a directorship on the amalgamated railways. What was the capital of the joint railways in Ireland compared with £20,000, or even £100,000. He did not think that it was in the power of the London, Midland and Scottish to ruin the tourist traffic, largely because it would not pay them to do so. The representative of the London, Midland and Scottish would have behind him the technical resources of that vast organisation.

A BUSINESS POINT OF VIEW.

Sir Thomas Esmonde said that his concern in the bill was personal, and may be also the interest of the shareholders of the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company. Having restated the case for the agreement to accept the nomination of an English director on the board of the new amalgamated railway company in consideration of the payment of £20,000 a year by the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company, he asked the Senate to look at the matter from a business point of view, and to assent to the bill.

Mr. Farren supported the motion for the rejection of the bill. He objected to the principle of the bill—namely, that the Government should propose by statute to confer the right upon any company to appoint a director on the Board of Management of practically all the railways in this country. He objected to it, also, because the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company were paying their clerical staff less wages than were paid to men in similar positions in Ireland.

Mr. James Moran said that the number of men in Ireland in the service of the London, Midland, and Scottish Company was a mere handful. The company gave their retiring servants a very handsome allowance when they left the service. The Irish railway servants had not such advantages. That company had also set aside a million of money for the building of houses for their employés. The insurance company wanted five times the premiums that they were satisfied to take in Great Birtain, and so they held their hands in this country; but he hoped that portion of that sum would come to this country.

REASON FOR THE BILL.

Mr. McGilligan, Minister in charge of the bill, explained, as he has already done in the Dail, the reason for the bill. It was to confirm an agreement that had been entered into with the sanction of the Railway Tribunal, whereby, in consideration of the payment of £20,000 a year the London, Midland and Scottish Company were to have the right to nominate a director on the board of the new Amalgamated Company. For this the Irish company would receive concessions and advantages which the Railway Tribunal had estimated to be value for a certain sum. It was not a question of principle, but a question of good business. It was said that the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Company were going to get some return for the £20,000. He presumed that they would, but, he asked, would this country never enter into any agreement out of which the other party was to derive advantage? If this country were to take up that attitude no good business could be done. There would be fifteen Irish directors on the Amalgamated Board, against the one English representative.

Mr. O'Farrell said that there was a suspicion in the minds of some people that the bill was to be by way of reparation to the offended flag of the London, Midland and Scottish Company. By whom, he asked, was the agreement engineered? Was it by some person of high authority outside the Government who had committed the Government in respect of the introduction of this bill? It was well known that the people who guided the London, Midland and Scottish Railway had been trained in a tricky school of diplomacy, and that with four hundred millions of capital behind them, the

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weight of that influence would help them in far greater proportion than would the presence of a member on the Irish board. As to the clerical workers of the London, Midland and Scottish with ten or eleven years' service, their pay was 61s. 6d. per week, while the pay of a similar class on the Irish railways was 77s. a week.

The Chairman—You are travelling outside the scope of the motion. This bill has nothing to do with the question of wages.

Mr. O'Farrell said that he was not definitely opposed to the bill, but he thought that its object could be secured in another way.

THE LABOUR OBJECTION.

Mr. McLoughlin said that he saw no business or patriotic reason for voting against the bill. It would be a serious step to interfere with that agreement. If the £20,000 was not paid by the London, Midland and Scottish it would have to come out of the pockets of the taxpayers. He was surprised at the talk of English interference from the Labour ranks, when on a Donegal railway, which was losing £10,000 a year, the employés could not do anything about wages until they had communicated with London.

Mr. Dowdall, speaking with regard to the powers of one director from the London, Midland and Scottish amongst fifteen, said that, in addition to one director, the company had control over all the ports on the Western seaboard of England.

Mr. Foran asked if the London, Midland and Scottish were prepared to grant this £20,000 as a free grant to the new Irish railway company, and what was the amount of the subsidy paid by the old City of Dublin Company to the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway.

The Minister for Industry and Commerce said that between now and the beginning of the new year the amalgamation field must be definitely determined. Amalgamated stock would have to be issued, and there must be some certainty. The revenue of the new company was fixed in the new Act, and the people concerned were the taxpayers, and not the shareholders. In the present position of railway rates it would be very perilous to throw an additional burden of £20,000 on them. Nobody had engineered the Government into its present position.

On a division the second reading was carried by 25 votes to 6.

The voting was:—For—Senators Douglas, Barnville, Barrington, Bennett, Nesbitt, Brown, Butler, Mrs. Costello, Counihan, Countess of Desart, Sir Thomas Esmonde, Sir Nugent Everard, Fitzgerald, Sir John Griffith, Guinness, Sir John Irwin, Love, McEvoy, McLoughlin, Earl of Mayo, J. Moran, O'Rourke, Parkinson, Dr. Sigerson, Earl of Wicklow.

Against—Senators Dowdall, Farren, Foran, Kenny, Colonel Moore and MacKean.

POWERS OF THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. MacKean suggested, as an amendment to Section 2, that the powers of the new director be restricted to sitting and acting on the board of directors of the Amalgamated Company only when matters relating to the agreement between the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company and the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company are being considered by the board.

He said that the appointment of such a director would be creating a bad precedent, and should be resisted.

Mr. Dowdall seconded.

The Minister for Industry and Commerce said that the amendment would tear up the agreement and make the bill a nuisance.

Colonel Moore said that this handing over of their rights and privileges merely for £20,000 was likely to cause revolution in the country. If they handed over the control of Irish industries they would have revolution.

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. O'Farrell withdrew an amendment relative to the rates of pay of employés of the London, Midland and Scottish Company in Saorstat Eireann, on the ground that it might defeat the object that he had in view.

The bill was then passed through its final stages, and the House adjourned until Friday at one o'clock.

BODY FOUND IN A FIELD.

SUPPOSED TO BE THAT OF MISSING MAN.

On Wednesday the body of a young man was found at Glenark, Gortin, County Tyrone. For some days a farmer's son named James Warnock had been missing from his home, and the body is believed to be that of the missing man, who was twenty-three years of age.

The police authorities, who report the finding of the body, say that it was lying in a field near a spot where the police fired at a group of men who refused to halt on Sunday night. Young Warnock was last seen at four o'clock on Sunday afternoon. A search was made for him afterwards, but no trace was discovered until the body was found. There was a mark on the head.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR. WILLIAM COOTE, M.P.

There was an impressive tribute to the memory of the late Mr. William Coote, M.P., who died suddenly after preaching at the Morning Service in the Crumlin road Presbyterian Church, Belfast, on Sunday last, at the funeral yesterday. There was a numerous and representative gathering of mourners as the remains were removed by motor from Lower Crescent, the residence of the Rev. R. J. Patterson, LL.B., with whom the deceased had been staying during his week-end visit.

The remains were met by a party of sympathisers at Aughnacloy, where the business houses were closed while the procession passed. At Clogher a party of police joined the *cortège*. Colonel McClintock represented the Northern Governor, and the English Orangemen and the Ulster Premier sent wreaths.

THE PILGRIMAGES TO LOURDES.

DEMONSTRATION IN LONDON.

Queen's Hall, London, was filled almost to its utmost capacity last night, when a demonstration organised by the Society of Our Lady of Lourdes was held. Cardinal Bourne presided, and among those supporting him were ex-King Manoel of Portugal, the Belgian Ambassador, the Bishop of Brentwood, the Rev. A. Doubleday, Mr. Hilaire Belloc and Mr. G. K. Chesterton. Before the speeches began an organ recital was given by the Rev. Vernon W. Russell.

Mr. Hilaire Belloc gave an address on Lourdes and the modern mind. He said that he knew what this thing which called itself the modern mind said with regard to Lourdes. It denied the miraculous quality of Lourdes. It said that the things that happened at Lourdes were not the product of an external will. That was the dogma that they advanced. It said that these things were man-made or that they were part of the material nature of things. They denied the supernatural, even at Lourdes. Within living memory the modern mind said that these miracles did not take place. To-day the attitude had been modified, not because people had thought more deeply of their own accord, but because they had been compelled to think a little bit. A short time ago there came to this capital a little man who talked great nonsense. His name was Coué. (Laughter.) No one said "this charlatan"; everyone spoke with respect of him. This modern mind ran forward to accept halfway anything irrational merely because it was irrational.

Speaking of miracles and the supernatural, Mr. G. K. Chesterton told a story of the late Anatole France, the great French Freethinker, who guarded himself against the dangers of Lourdes by announcing beforehand that even if a miracle happened he did not propose to believe it. Anatole France was said to have stated that even if a man were to lose a leg and another leg were to grow in its place before his very eyes, he would not say that it was a miracle, but that some unknown natural power, such as exists in the growing of extra limbs by crabs and lobsters, had appeared in human physiology. He was prepared to believe that that thing had happened naturally. If they were to imitate the utter devotional simplicity of Anatole France, they had not only to believe that in some extraordinary way on one occasion only in the history of the world a man's leg behaved like a lobster's leg by natural causes; but at the same time they had to believe that by a most extraordinary coincidence that isolated instance occurred at the particular place and at the particular time that the man expected it to happen. (Laughter.) Anyone who believed in a coincidence like that was mad. (Cheers.)

Cardinal Bourne said that they had received from Mr. Belloc and Mr. Chesterton what they always expected to receive—sterling and profound discourses on those underlying truths which Lourdes had ever manifested more clearly to the world. He confessed that he had never been able to take a very keen or close interest in the investigation of particular facts connected with Lourdes. They had the great outstanding fact—a fact lasting in the eyes of the world—that for a space of time, now not very far short of seventy years, there was the fact that there was a spot drawing to it the minds and the hearts of men and women of all nations on the earth—one might say continuously—in ever-growing numbers, the existence of a place where people prayed as, perhaps, they were not able to pray anywhere else, and a place where wonderful things undoubtedly have happened, and were always happening, to the souls and bodies of mankind. There was no vestige of hysteria there.

When he heard of investigations he could not but bear in mind that while a certain kind of investigation was, no doubt, necessary, and ought to be encouraged, that no one should hesitate for a moment to find out the full and exact truth of everything that happened at Lourdes, still there were forms of investigation that could never be wholly satisfactory, because so often those investigations were conducted by men who laid down first of all, consciously and honestly, certain criteria of truth which were not always absolutely necessary, and sub-consciously they were at the same time laying down other criteria of truth which largely covered the conclusions at which they arrived. The result was that in minds such as theirs—he would not accuse them for a single moment of anything of unfairness or, still less, dishonesty—the answer, inevitably influenced subconsciously by other criteria of truth which they had laid down, would be "not proven." This was not a question of an isolated instance. They had to bring home to the consciences of Catholics, which was hardly necessary for them to do, and also to the consciences of those who were not Catholics, the great outstanding fact of all that took place at Lourdes.

A lantern lecture on the pilgrimage of 1924 was given by the Rev. Francis Woodlock, S.J.

KING ALFONSO'S RECORD.

MADRID, Wednesday.

King Alfonso has permitted a gramaphone record to be made of a patriotic speech delivered by him. The firm which has obtained the monopoly of the sale of these records will pay a considerable sum, which His Majesty will devote to the purchase of New Year gifts for the troops in Morocco.—(Reuter.)

The less you hear of the ordinary man till he is twenty-three the better.—Lord Elmley.

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

MORE ASPHALT STREETS.—A communication which has been received by the Dublin Citizens' Association from the Town Clerk, stated that in the case of St. Stephen's Green, East, only small street repairs were carried out from time to time, pending permanent resurfacing with material which would be adequate to withstand the considerable traffic at this place, and that asphalt will be laid before March next.

DUBLIN SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE.—In our advertising columns to-day the Dublin Seamen's Institute, Eden quay, which is carrying on excellent work at the port, asks for contributions of money, seasonable fare, and tobacco for the entertainment of the seamen who will be in the port during the Christmas.

THE POOR LAW COMMISION.—The Executive Committee of the Dublin Citizens' Association have informed the Government that, in their opinion, the majority of the *personnel* of the forthcoming Poor Law Commission of Inquiry should not be, or have been members of municipal or poor law authorities, and that the formation of the Commission should not necessarily be confined to the Dail.

UNION FINANCE.—At yesterday's meeting of the Dublin Union Commissioners it was reported that the bank balance to the credit of the institution was £15,299 2s. The Dublin Corporation had lodged £15,947 in respect of the outstanding demand, but the Dublin County Council still owed £11,579.

THE N.S.P.C.C. AT DALKEY.—A most successful bridge tournament was held on Thursday last at Sorrento House, Dalkey, by Mrs. Cresswell, Hon. Secretary of the Dalkey district, in aid of the funds of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. The first prize was won by Mrs. Maud Walsh, hidden number prize by Mrs. Corteous, thirteen number prize by Mrs. Nesbitt, and "booby" prize by Mrs. Conan.

AONACH NA NODLAG.—The Aonach, which is held at 40 Upper Sackville street, Dublin, daily for the sale of Irish-made goods suitable for Christmas gifts, continues to draw interested crowds during the afternoons and evenings. There is much to be seen on the premises, apart from the temporary stalls which have been erected for the Aonach period, and there is music to be heard between 7 and 9 p.m. The variety of Christmas wares on sale, however, forms the chief attraction for most people.

A TYPIST'S MARRIAGE.—In connection with the order from the Local Government Board to Rathdown Guardians to call upon Mrs. M. McDonnell, typist, to resign her position, as she was now married, the Law Agent pointed out that Mrs. McDonnell was not a Government official, and, in the absence of any specific regulation, the Local Government Ministry had no authority to call upon the Guardians for her resignation. It was decided to forward a copy of the Law Agent's letter to the Local Government Department.

HALF-MOON SWIMMING CLUB.—A very enjoyable dance was given by the Half-Moon Swimming Club in the Engineers' Hall, Dawson street, last Monday evening. It was well attended. Dr. C. M. O'Brien, president, attended and presented the cup and medals to Master P. Morgan, who obtained the club trophy, the O'Brien Cup. Master Byrne and Mr. Val. Nugent also received medals and congratulations. Amongst the guests present were:—Mrs. Arthur Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. P. Morgan, the Misses Early, Mr. Corbally, Mr. and Mrs. Heron, Mr. and Mrs. P. Gleeson, the Misses McNulty, Captain Gleeson, Mr. Galbally, and Miss Morgan. The Adelaide Melody Band contributed in no small way to the success of the evening.

DISTRIBUTIVE WORKERS AND CLERKS.—At the weekly meeting of the Dublin Branch Committee of the Irish Union of Distributive Workers and Clerks a letter was read from the Merchant Drapers' Association intimating their willingness to comply with the Committee's request to close all shops in the Association from Wednesday, 24th, to Monday, 29th December. For the period January 1st to December 13th, 1924, 1,020 new members had been enrolled in the Dublin branch. The sub-committee appointed to inquire into alternative proposals for a pensions scheme for employés in the drapery trade submitted a report. It was reported that negotiations were almost concluded with several firms in the boot trade by which advances would be secured for the employés ranging from 4s. to 5s. per week of an increase on present rates.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.

ARRIVALS:—Earl of Wicklow, J. C. McKeever, F. Shields, Miss Vansittart, W. Butler, H. Connolly, W. C. Taylor, E. Bilton, J. Mallagh, F. J. Vahey, S. Coates, R. Warburton, Mrs. Minnock, Mrs. Owens, J. L. Taylor, Miss B. Henry, Mrs. Reid, Miss Sheridan, H. Hills, G. McIntyre, F. Meyers, Miss T. Ruttledge, R. T. Murray, Mrs. Murray, T. Buckley, J. McCarthy, G. Barrett, Cadet C. L'Estrange, Cadet H. Falkiner, Cadet R. B. Mooney, Cadet G. H. Jordon, A. Butler, Master de Courcy Wheeler, H. Whitehead, D. Conlon.

DEPARTURES:—Dr. Maxwell, Mrs. Cooke, R. L. C. Moose, W. H. Campbell, Mrs. Campbell, F. Bilton, R. Lundy, Captain Cross, Rev. R. Benson, A. S. Haywood, Mrs. Soutar, J. Duffy, G. W. Fordham, T. Leeming, Miss St. Lawrence, Miss Ffolliott, Miss G. Burke, Mrs. Murphy, S. Murphy, Miss McCarthy, Very Rev. Fr. O'Donnell, Very Rev. Fr. O'Neill, J. Stevens, Dr. Bradlaw, T. F. Ryan, H. C. Wills.

CONNAUGHT.

RELIEF GRANT WANTED.—At a representative meeting of farmers from Donamon district of County Roscommon, held in Clooneycolgan Church (the Rev. M. J. Keane, P.P., presiding), a resolution was passed to ask the Minister of Agriculture to allot a sum of £1,500 of the Relief Grant to complete new roads and drainage work left unfinished on the Caulfield, Shiels and McDonnell estates by the Congested Districts Board.

A COURTHOUSE WANTED.—Mr. J. H. Gallagher, at the Loughrea District Court, announced that until the County Council provided a Courthouse at Athenry he would have to dispose of the business connected with that town in Loughrea or elsewhere.

THE CASTLEREA WATERWORKS.—The Castlerea District Council have decided to make an application to the Ministry for Local Government for sanction to a loan of £1,008 for improving Castlerea Waterworks.

STIFF PENALTY ON MOTOR DRIVER.—At the Roscommon District Court yesterday, Mr. Rice sentenced John Coffey, New road, Galway, to a month's imprisonment, his licence to be suspended for twelve months, for being drunk in charge of a motor car, and refusing to pull up to allow the Civic Guards to examine the machine.

LEITRIM BOARD OF HEALTH.—At a meeting of the Leitrim County Board of Health, held at Carrick, a report, which Mr. P. J. Conkling, Inspector, had furnished to the Local Government Board, was read. In it Mr. Conkling declared that the County Board of Health had completely failed to discharge its functions in a satisfactory manner. The Chairman said that this was the first step to an attempt to abolish the Committee. A protest was sent to the Ministry.

SOLDIERS' PENSIONS STOPPED.—When the Assistance Superintendent Officer reported to the Leitrim County Board of Health the cases of several ex-soldiers of the British Army in the Dromahair and Manorhamilton districts whose pensions had been stopped, and that their condition was deplorable, it was decided to bring the matter before the notice of the representatives of the British Ministry of Pensions.

THE POOR IN LEITRIM.—At a meeting of the Leitrim County Board of Health, the Assistance Superintendent Officer reported much destitution among home help recipients. There were cases where the houses were supported by props, others where there was nothing but miserable fires of whitethorn branches, and only a diet of Indian porridge for the children. The conditions of the dwellings of several of the recipients was referred to the Land Commission to see if these people would be entitled to any of the £15,000 free grant for Leitrim.

LEINSTER.

LARGE FOWL MARKET.—Philipstown fowl market on Tuesday was the largest seen for many years, but prices showed a downward tendency, and only the best birds were bought. Turkeys sold at from 10d. to 11½d. per lb., and geese from 5s. to 8s. each.

EXCITEMENT AT BALLYHALE.—An encounter between Civic Guards and civilians took place at Ballyhale, Co. Kilkenny, on Tuesday evening. Guards Halpin and Brady, who were on duty in the village, remonstrated with some men. It is alleged that they thereupon attacked the Guards, who were obliged to draw their batons, and two men named Thomas Holohan, Ballyhale, and John Roche, Derrynahinch, were arrested.

THE EDENDERRY AMBULANCE.—The Edenderry Transport Union sent a resolution to the King's County Board of Health protesting against the removal of the ambulance from Edenderry for purposes of economy to Tullamore, and saying such removal was a hardship on the poor. The Commissioner (Mr. O'Keeffe) took no action in the matter.

HOUSE-BREAKING CHARGE.—Patrick Walsh, who described himself as a newsvendor from Waterford, was yesterday remanded before Mr. J. Mathews, at Kilmacow, charged by Inspector O'Sullivan, with breaking into the licensed premises of Mr. Richard Rockett, Kilmacow, and stealing a quantity of tobacco, cigarettes, butter, boot polish, soap, matches, and five shillings.

MUNSTER.

COURTHOUSE TO BE REBUILT.—The Waterford County Council have decided to rebuild Kilmacthomas Courthouse, which was burned. The amount to be expended is £800.

LIGHT FOR A DANGEROUS COAST.—The Ministry of Fisheries have written to the Waterford County Council to the effect that they will allow £75 for the erection of a light on Helvick Pier, which is a dangerous part of the coast at Dungarvan Harbour.

TIPPERARY CHRISTMAS MARKETS.—At the Tipperary Christmas markets hen turkeys sold at 9d. to 10d. per lb.; cock turkeys (14lbs. to 20lbs.) 1s. 2d. per lb.; poor turkeys 8d. per lb.; geese, 6d. per lb.

CLOSE SEASON ON THE BLACKWATER.—The Minister for Fisheries has directed a departmental inquiry to be held into the question of the close season dates for the River Blackwater. A meeting of the Conservators for the Lismore district held a week ago in Cork recommended by a majority that the date for opening be changed from February 1st to January 1st.

BURGLARY AT TIPPERARY.—The licensed premises of the late Mr. Lawrence Hayes, O'Brien street, Tipperary, were broken into at night, and a large quantity of port wine and ale was stolen. A resident in a neighbouring house saw three men disappearing from the back of the premises, each carrying a sack.

LIMERICK AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE.—At the meeting of the County Limerick Agricultural Committee yesterday, the two agricultural instructors were directed to attend the fourth annual Congress of Cow-Testing Associations, to be held at Mallow on the 30th instant.

LIMERICK FARMING SCHEME.—The Department of Agriculture has opposed the provisional allocation by the Limerick Committee of a total sum of £2,917 in its scheme for the year ending 31st March, 1926, embracing poultry, cottages, cattle, horses, swine, and agricultural shows.

IMPROVED CATTLE AND SHEEP.—The Secretary of the Irish Co-operative Meat, Limited, Waterford, wrote to the Limerick Agricultural Committee, stating that the directors were arranging for an educational campaign amongst the farmers for the purpose of getting the right type of cattle, sheep, and pigs for the new industry, and County Committees were asked to select centres at which lectures would, with the approbation of the Department, be given by agricultural instructors. The meeting approved of the suggestion.

SALE OF WATERFORD CUT GLASS.—Messrs. John D. Palmer held an auction of Waterford cut glass, china, and lacquer work at their Salerooms, Catherine street, Waterford, for Miss Crosthwait on Tuesday. Set of table Waterford cut glass of 84 pieces realised £180; Waterford chandelier, £30; Waterford cut tumblers, up to £1 each; Waterford engraved tumblers, £1 10s. each; decanters, £4 to £5; salt cellars, up to £2 12s. 6d.; pair of pepper castors, £6 10s.; Swansea dinner service of 287 pieces, £90; Oriental tea set, £22; Liverpool dessert service, £20 10s.; six lacquer mirror pictures, £48 the set.

ULSTER.

COW THAT CAN OPEN A DOOR.—When Owen McAree, Scotstown district, Co. Monaghan, brought four head of cattle that had tossed his corn to the house of Mrs. Rose McKenna, demanding trespass, she told him, according to the evidence in the District Court, that the cattle were kept in a house, but that one of the cows could always open the door, and so the others got out. A decree of £7 10s. was given for the oats.

THE LATE MR. HUGH LARDNER.—At the Monaghan District Court, Mr. M. J. Hannan, District Justice, referred to the death of Mr. Hugh W. Lardner, and expressed sympathy with Mr. James Lardner, K.C., and Mr. Matthew Lardner, solicitor. Mr. Russell McWilliam and Mr. D. X. Keenan on behalf of the solicitors' profession, Superintendent Mackin on behalf of the Civic Guard, and the Registrar desired to be associated with the Justice's remarks.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

WAR PENSIONS COMMITTEE.—The British Minister of Pensions has appointed Mr. William Grant, M.P., of Old Town Hall, Belfast, to be a member of the Northern Ireland War Pensions Committee, in place of Councillor G. M. Donaldson, resigned.

SCHOOL TEACHER DIES SUDDENLY.—Mr. William Irvine, who was for over thirty years principal of the Maguiresbridge National School, died suddenly while returning from his school duties on Tuesday afternoon.

NEW HOUSES FOR WARRENPOINT.—The Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland have sanctioned a loan of £3,580 to Warrenpoint Urban Council for the building of ten artisans' houses in the urban area.

INSURANCE FOR MOTOR DRIVERS.—The Newry Chamber of Commerce have adopted a resolution asking that the Northern Government should introduce legislation to compel all motor drivers to be insured against third party risks before they are licensed to drive.

RESCUE IN THE LAGAN.—Yesterday afternoon a young man named Frank Moran, of California street, Belfast, plunged into the Lagan and rescued James Kearns, aged 45, of Walton street, who was drowning. Kearns, who was in a critical condition, was taken to hospital.

NEW RAILWAY DIRECTOR.—The Clogher Valley Railway Directors on Tuesday passed a vote of sympathy on the death of Senator Montgomery, D.L., chairman, and co-opted Mr. J. W. Johnston, of Fivemiletown.

LISBURN SURVEYORSHIP.—Mr. R. E. L. Clarke, B.A., of the City Surveyors Department, Belfast, has been appointed Town Surveyor of Lisburn in succession to Mr. S. W. Farrington, who has been appointed City Surveyor and Borough Engineer for Cork. There were twelve applicants for the position.

THE GOVERNOR OF NORTHERN IRELAND.—The Governor of Northern Ireland and the Duchess of Abercorn, accompanied by Lord Claude David Hamilton left London last night for Belfast. They will proceed to Clandeboye, County Down, to stay to-night. On Friday evening the Governor will honour Lieutenant-Colonel F. C. Spring and the officers of the 1st Battalion of the Lincolnshire Regiment with his presence at dinner at the Palace Barracks. On Saturday their Graces will pay a visit to Hillsborough Castle, and will afterwards proceed to Baron's Court to spend the Christmas and the New Year. They will entertain a small family party at Baron's Court, County Tyrone, for Christmas.

COMPLIMENT TO BELFAST RECTOR.—The Rev. W. Armstrong Jones, M.A., who was Curate of St. James's Parish Church, Antrim road, Belfast, for eight years, was, at a social meeting in the schoolhouse last night, honoured by the congregation on his appointment as rector of St. Andrew's Parish, Belfast. The chair was taken by the Rev. P. W. N. Shirley, B.D., rector of St. James's. Mr. Jones was presented with an illuminated address and a wallet of notes from the congregation and choir and a silver-mounted inkstand from the kindergarten Sunday school teachers. The chairman said, while they rejoiced at Mr. Jones's promotion they were genuinely and heartily sorry that he was leaving them. He had been a loyal and faithful colleague, and his relations with Mr. Jones had been of a cordial and brotherly character. Complimentary references to Mr. Jones's work in St. James's Parish were made by members of the Select Vestry. Mr. Jones, in reply, thanked all the members of the congregation for their unfailing kindness to him during his ministry, which he deeply appreciated.

FEMALE WRITING ASSISTANTS.

Last Limited Competition, Nov., 1923. 18 Students successful from SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 75 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin. BEST RESULT. Evening and Correspondence Classes now working for the Limited Competition expected early in 1925.—(Advt.)

U.S. MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED STRONG.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Wednesday.

Stocks opened strong. Intermittent professional selling was readily absorbed, and the general list responded to expanded pool operations in Industrial issues, and stimulus was derived from reports of new combinations amongst Eastern Railroads. Lehigh Valley jumped 7½, and many others gained 1 to 12 points. The market closed strong. Government Bonds steady; Railroad Bonds irregular. The day's sales totalled 1,920,000 shares. Money on call closed steady at 3 per cent. bid and 3½ per cent. asked; all business was transacted at 3 per cent. Sterling exchange steady. Silver ⅛c. higher for foreign-mined at 67⅞. Gold to the value of 2,500,000 dollars has been engaged for export to Berlin.

Call Money ...	[illegible]	[illegible]
Exchange on Lon. 60 days sight	4.65⅞	4.66⅞
Do. do. Demand Bills	4.68⅞	4.69⅞
Cable Transfers	4.69⅞	4.69⅞
Do. Montreal	[illegible]	4.71⅞
Exchange Paris, cable ...	5.36½	5.38

Eng. Parity	Stocks.	Closing Bid Business Prices. Tues.	Dons. Wed.
[illegible]	U.S. Funded	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Atch. Top. Santa Fe	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Do. Preference	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Baltimore and Ohio	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Canadian Pacific	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Chesapeake Ohio Com.	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Chic., Mil., & St. Paul	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Chicago and N.-West	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Erie Shares	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Erie 1st Preferred	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Great Northern Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Illinois Central	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Lehigh Valley	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Louisville & Nashville	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Missouri, Kan., & Texas	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Missouri Pacific New	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Nat. of Mexico 1st Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Do. 2nd Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	N.Y. Ctl. & Hudson R.	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Norfolk and West. Com.	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Northern Pacific Com.	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Ontario and Western	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Pennsylvania Shares	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Reading Shares	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Do. Preferred	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Southern Railway	[illegible]	[illegible]
111	Southern Pacific	[illegible]	104⅜
[illegible]	Texas and Pacific	48⅞	48⅜
[illegible]	Union Pacific	149⅞	150⅜
[illegible]	Do. Pref.	74½	74½
[illegible]	Wabash Common	23⅛	22⅝
[illegible]	Do. Preferred A	60	59⅜
[illegible]	American Smelt. and Refining	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Anaconda Copper	41⅝	41⅞
[illegible]	British-American Tobacco Ord.	23⅜	23⅝
[illegible]	Utah Copper	[illegible]	82
[illegible]	New York Consolidated Gas	78	77⅜
[illegible]	General Electric	280	279⅞
[illegible]	National Lead	157	159
[illegible]	United States Steel Common	118	117⅞
[illegible]	Do. Pref.	121	121⅛
[illegible]	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	[illegible]	[illegible]
—	Silver Commercial Bars	67⅜	67⅞
[illegible]	General Motors (New)	81	81
[illegible]	Inter. Mer. Marine Com. Certs	13¼	13⅜
[illegible]	Do. Pref. Certs	43⅜	44⅜
[illegible]	Royal Dutch Ordinary	48¼	47⅞
[illegible]	Shell Ordinary	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Pan-American Petroleum Ord.	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Anglo-American Oil	17	17⅜
[illegible]	Shell Union Oil Corp.	20⅞	21
[illegible]	U.S. Rubber	41	40⅞
	BONDS.		
[illegible]	Atch. Top. New 4% Gen. Mort.	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Erie Rail. Gen. 4% Lien Bonds	60	[illegible]
—	Reading 4 p.c. Mortgage Bonds	—	—
97⅞	Union Pacific 4 p.c. Bonds	91½	91⅜
111	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5% Bds.	104⅜	104⅞
[illegible]	U.K. 5½ per cent. Bonds, 1929	[illegible]	115
[illegible]	Do. do. 1937	103	[illegible]

*Asked. † Ex div. ‡ Ex interest. ‖ Ex rights.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT irregular, ⅛c. down to 3⅛c. up.

	To-day.	Prev. day
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	181½	182¾
No. 2 Red Winter, spot	187⅛	187
No. 2 Mixed Durum, spot ...	181½	181
No. 1 Northern Manitoba, spot ...	197⅞	193⅞

	To-day	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts—Allan.	589	538	191,180	146,870
Clearances ,, ...	670	811	185,226	131,570

(In thousands of bushels.)

Sales for export—125 boatloads.

RYE—No. 2 spot, 153⅛.

BARLEY—American malting, 100⅛.

MAIZE weak, 3⅛c. lower.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Western No. 2 mixed, spot ...	140	143⅞

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts—Allan.	80	92	5,108	5,281
Clearances ,, ...	—	13	1,454	1,572

(In thousands of bushels.)

LARD barely steady, 5 points down to unchanged. Prime Western steam, 17.57½; Middle West, 17.30 to 17.40.

FLOUR steady and unaltered. Spring clears, 100 per cent., 7.50 to 8.00. Sales for export—120,000 barrels.

FREIGHTS.

Heavy grain to Great Britain, per quarter—2/6 to 3/-.

Heavy grain to Continent, per 100lbs.—12c. to 14c.

Cotton—High density to Great Britain, per 100lbs., 35c.

Cotton—Standard bales to Great Britain, 50c.

PETROLEUM steady.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Mid-Continent Crude ...	1.10	1.10
Standard White in cases ...	16.90	16.90
Standard White in barrels ...	13.50	13.50
Do. Philadelphia	13.50	13.50
Pennsylvania crude	2.75 2.85	2.75 2.85

COFFEE opened firm, 75 to 22 points higher on favourable Brazilian markets and covering of December shorts, and further improvement was made on buying by trade interests, Wall street houses and European operators. Partial reactions followed under realising and selling for New Orleans account, but the market closed steady at 75 to 10 points gain. Spot firm, ⅛c. up for Rio No. 7 and unchanged for Santos No. 4. Rio, No. 7 spot, 22⅛; Santos, No. 4 spot, 26⅛. Approximate day's sales—68,000 bags.

Futures—Options—	Dec.	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	21.00	20.60	19.61	18.85
Prev. day	20.25	19.95	19.45	18.65
	June.	July.	Sep.	
To-day	18.55	18.28	17.65	
Prev. day	18.45	18.10	17.48	

SUGAR irregular, 15 points down to 1 point up. Centrifugal Cuban spot easy, 13 points lower; 96 test centrifugal Cuban, 4.77. Approximate day's sales—59,000 tons.

Options—	Dec.	Jan.	Mar.	May.	July.
To-day	3.58	2.87	2.83	2.93	3.03
Prev. day	3.70	2.86	2.83	2.93	3.08

To-day's Cuban sugar sales at 4.77, 45,000 bags for January shipment and 10,000 bags for shipment during December.

TALLOW steady. Extra loose, 10⅛.

COTTON SEED OIL steady. Prime summer yellow spot, 11.40. Options—January, 11.60; March, 11.80; May, 12.18; July, 12.33.

SHELLAC—T.N. spot, 64⅛.

TURPENTINE—Spirits of turpentine, 94⅛; Savannah spirits of turpentine, 78.

RESIN—Grade F, 6.45; Grade K, 6.55; Grade WW, 8.50.

BURLAPS quiet. Hessian cloth, light-weight, 8.05, heavy-weight, 9.75.

METALS—Tin easy, 12½ to 25 points cheaper. Spot, 55.75; future option, 55.75. Tin Plates, 5.50. Lead steady, 5 points up, 9.67½. Zinc barely steady, 3 points lower, 7.47½. Iron steady. No. 2 American Northern Foundry, 22.50 to 23.50. Electrolytic Copper steady; spot, 14½ to 14⅝; futures, 14⅝. Steel—Bessemer Rails, 43.

OUTSIDE U.S. MARKETS.

KANSAS CITY—Wheat firm, 2⅛c. higher. No. 2 hard winter spot, 167⅛.

ST. LOUIS—Wheat firm, 1c. up. No. 2 red winter spot, 128.

MINNEAPOLIS—Wheat easy, 1⅛c. lower. No. 1 Northern spring spot, 165⅛.

DULUTH—Flaxseed, May, 297.

TOLEDO—Cloverseed, March, 19.40.

WINNIPEG—Wheat opened irregular, ⅛c. down to ⅛c. up, and closed easy, ⅛c. to ⅛c. cheaper. Opening options—May, 174⅛; July, 173. Closing options—May, 174⅛; July, 172⅛. Oats barely steady, ⅛c. cheaper. Closing option—December, 62⅛. Flaxseed, May, 264.

Wheat receipts (carlots)	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 1 Northern	26	209
No. 2 Northern	34	231
No. 3 Northern	[illegible]	286
No. 4 Northern	62	306
Other grades	118	392
Total	313	1,426

NEW YORK COTTON.

COTTON opened steady, 10 to 17 points dearer, and further advances were scored owing to the improved spot situation, firm cable advices, better textile trade conditions, strength of the Stock market, Wall street support, buying by the trade and foreign interests, heavier exports and a better public enquiry. Realising caused partial recessions in the late dealings, but the market closed very steady, 31 to 18 points up. Spot steady at 25 points rise. New Orleans spot 30 points higher.

Spot, middling upland at New York, 24.25.

Spot middling upland at New Orleans, 24.15.

Receipts—Atlantic ports, 56,000 bales; Gulf ports, 35,000 bales; Pacific ports, nil; interior towns, 33,000 bales. Exports—Great Britain, 77,000 bales; Continent, 62,000 bales; Japan, nil.

New York futures in the last twenty seconds of trading:—December, lowest 23.74, highest 23.74; January, 23.82, 23.86; February, 24.04, 24.04; March, 24.25, 24.29; April, 24.43, 24.43; May, 24.61, 24.65; June, 24.69, 24.69; July, 24.77, 24.77; August, 24.48, 24.45; September, 24.40, 24.40; October, 24.18, 24.22; November, 24.25, 24.25.

New Orleans futures in the last minute of trading—March, lowest 24.22, highest 24.25; May, 24.46, 24.51.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Wednesday.

WHEAT opened steady, ⅛c. to ⅛c. higher, on small receipts and unfavourable Argentine reports, and showed further improvement on foreign buying. Russia's purchase of 120,000 barrels of Canadian flour, buying by cash houses, adverse weather news from the North-West and covering of shorts. A reaction set in later, on advices of snow in the South-West, unloading by bulls and in sympathy with corn, and the market closed irregular, ⅛c. up to 2⅛c. down. Spot firm.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 2 Hard Winter spot ...	167⅞	165⅛
No. 3 Hard Winter spot ...	167⅞	164⅛

Futures—Opening options—	Dec.	May.	
To-day	166⅝	170⅝	
Prev. day	164⅞	169	
Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May.	July.
To-day	166⅞	170⅞	147⅞
Prev. day	163⅞	168⅞	146⅞

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts (W.) ...	989	1,248	[illegible]	[illegible]

(In thousands of bushels.)

CORN opened steady and unchanged. The bullish Bureau report, firmer Liverpool cables and covering of shorts stimulated the market early; then values weakened on predictions of increased receipts, favourable Argentine advices, unloading by bulls, commission house selling and a slack outside demand. The closing was weak at 2⅛c. to 3c. fall.

	To-day.	Prev. day.	
Spot No. 2 mixed ...	128	129⅞	
Futures—Opening options—	Dec.	May.	
To-day	123⅜	131⅛	
Prev. day	125⅝	130⅝	
Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May.	July.
To-day	122⅝	129⅞	128⅞
Prev. day	125⅝	131⅜	131⅞

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts (W.) ...	1,383	1,513	111,503	117,455

(In thousands of bushels.)

OATS easy, 1⅛c. to 1⅛c. down.

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May.	July.
To-day	58⅞	64⅞	62⅞
Prev. day	60⅝	65⅞	64⅞

RYE—No. 2 spot, 145⅛.

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May.
To-day	144¼	149⅞
Prev. day	144	149

PROVISIONS opened easy, but prices rose afterwards owing to higher hog quotations and favourable European advices. Partial reactions took place later under realising and selling by grain people, but the market closed steady, with lard 5 points down to 5 points up and ribs 25 to 30 points dearer.

Lard—Closing options	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	16.75	17.00	17.12½
Prev. day	16.20	16.47½	16.57½
Ribs—Closing options—	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	14.95	—	15.47½
Prev. day	14.80	—	14.75

BACON firm at 12½ points rise.

Short ribbed sides (60lbs. average)—14.87½.

HOGS firmer. Light sorts are 15 points lower to 10 points higher and heavy 20 to 25 points up. Light hogs, 7.00 to 9.20; heavy hogs, 9.65 to 10.00.

	To-day.	Same day last year
Receipts—Western Cities ...	214,000	206,000
Chicago ...	40,000	39,000

Receipts of hogs at fifteen principal Western centres, including Chicago, since November 1st total (amended) 6,516,000, against 6,517,000 same season last year.

MIDLETON DISTRICT HOME.

THE MASTER'S POSITION.

By eight votes to three the South Cork Board of Public Assistance defeated a motion of the Chairman that the Master of the Midleton District Home be suspended.

The Lord Mayor (Mr. S. French) presided at the meeting. Mr. W. F. O'Connor, solicitor, appeared for the Home Master.

The matter arose on a letter from the clerk of the Midleton District Home informing the meeting that, in accordance with a telegram, he demanded from the Home Master the books and documents of his position. The Master, however, refused, stating that he would submit his books to the Board.

Mr. O'Connor questioned the legality of the Master's suspension, contending that, as the matter did not arise out of the terms of reference from the Midleton meeting, the action of the majority of the members at the previous Tuesday's meeting in ordering the suspension of the Master was altogether illegal. He was present that day with his books.

The Lord Mayor having moved his motion, that the Master be suspended pending the audit, Mr. Gamble moved, and Mr. Ahern seconded, as an amendment that the Master be reinstated in his position until the audit of his books had been completed, and this was carried.

The Secretary to the Ministry for Local Government wrote stating that the Minister considered that Mr. Barron, R.O., should not continue in his office of assistance officer.

The meeting decided to dismiss Mr. Barron and to inform the Ministry that it would be an impossibility to amalgamate the district with an adjoining district.

CHURCH OF IRELAND.

NEW CANON OF CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.

The Rev. William Baillie, M.A., Incumbent of the Parish of St. Matthias, Dublin, has been appointed by the Archbishop of Dublin to a Canonry in Christ Church Cathedral, recently vacated by the resignation of the Rev. F. C. Hayes, M.A.

The Parish of Rathkeale, Diocese of Limerick, is vacant, owing to the resignation of Canon McCleane, which takes effect from to-day.

A Carol Service will be held on Sunday evening next at 7 o'clock in Harold's Cross Church, Dublin, at which the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, with Wolf Cubs and Brownies, will parade.

A special Oratorio Service will be held in St. Stephen's Church, Upper Mount street, Dublin, on Sunday evening next at 7 o'clock, when the Christmas selection from Handel's "The Messiah" and Christmas carols will be sung by the choir.

The Representative Body of the Church of Ireland met yesterday. The Primate presided. The other members present were:—The Archbishop of Dublin, the Bishop of Meath, the Bishop of Clogher, the Bishop of Killaloe, the Bishop of Kilmore, the Bishop of Cashel, the Bishop of Down, the Bishop of Tuam, the Bishop of Ossory, the Bishop of Limerick, the Earl of Belmore, D.L.; Colonel W. Lenox-Conyngham, George Knight, Gustavus Rochfort Hyde, the Dean of Derry, J. F. A. Simms, W. A. Ferrar, the Dean of Tuam, Sir Malby Crofton, Bart., D.L.; the Dean of Kildare, John Arthur Maconchy, Henry Bruen, D.L.; the Rev. Canon Pike, H. C. Bowen, the Archdeacon of Killaloe, Dermod O'Brien, D.L.; the Most Rev. and Right Hon. John H. Bernard, D.D.; Right Hon. Sir William J. Goulding Bart., D.L.; Right Hon. Lord Glenavy, the Archdeacon of Connor. Having transacted business, the Representative Body adjourned until Wednesday, the 21st of January, 1925.

SAVINGS CERTIFICATES.

ASSOCIATIONS IN SCHOOLS.

A meeting of the Central Savings Committee was held on Tuesday at their offices, 63 Dawson street, Dublin, the following being present:—Mr. T. P. Gill, Chairman of the Committee, presiding; Messrs. T. P. Morrissey, J. A. O'Connell (Sligo), Very Rev. J. Flanagan, Adm.; Rev. J. Denham Osborne, D.D.; Mrs. Noel Guinness, Messrs. G. Fletcher, Assistant Secretary, for Technical Instruction, and W. F. Butler, Assistant Commissioner for Intermediate Education.

With regard to the establishment of Savings Associations in National schools it was reported that a circular would be issued by the Ministry of Education at an early date suggesting means by which these associations may be operated, without additional work, in conjunction with the ordinary school work, and thus make the teaching of thrift part of the school programme.

It was reported that the sales of Certificates up to last week amounted to £1,184,096, representing 1,527,824 Certificates. Withdrawals to the same date amounted to 7 per cent. of the total invested.

It was also reported that satisfactory progress was being made in the formation of Savings Associations, particularly with schools, 12,000 Certificates having been purchased by instalments through these associations.

DUBLIN BOROUGH COMMISSION.

A special meeting of the Commissioners of the County Borough of Dublin will be held in the City Hall on Saturday next, at 11 a.m.

Included in the business for disposal is the recommendation that Mr. N. A. Chance, Engineer-in-charge of the Paving Department, be granted an allowance of £120 *per annum* towards the running costs of a motor car, so that he may be enabled to increase his supervision over the staff of 700, which works in an area of nine miles by five.

Commissioner Murphy recommends that the request of the ratepayers and occupiers of premises in Fish street, praying that the name of the thoroughfare be changed to "Castleforbes' road," be granted.

CARRICKMACROSS MURDER CHARGE.

At Carrickmacross District Court, before District Justice Goff, two youths, Michael J. Joyce and James Carroll, both of Castleblayney, were charged with the murder of John Hughes on December 11th on the public road.

Sergeant Ward told how Hughes had been found on the road injured. The State Solicitor, Mr. Keenan, asked for a remand in custody to prosecute inquiries. This was opposed by Mr. Laverty, solicitor, who said that the accused lads were of excellent character, and had nothing to do with the death of Hughes, who probably fell from the cart and was trampled by the horse. They would give any bail required.

Mr. Goff refused bail, but agreed to sit and complete the depositions on Christmas Eve.

BANK OF IRELAND CLERKSHIPS.

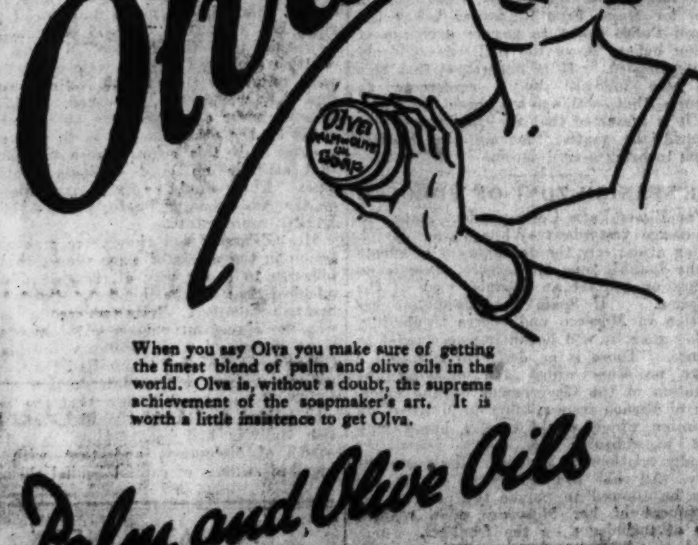
Candidates should note that at the last examination 34 of the 46 appointments offered were gained by pupils of ROSS COLLEGE, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

AUSTRALIAN WOOL SALES.

LARGE SALES AT SYDNEY.

SYDNEY, Wednesday.

At the wool sales held here to-day 11,098 bales were offered, of which 9,435 were sold. Private sales amounted to 548. There was a good selection, and the market remained unchanged, late rates being maintained in all grades, excepting in super wools. Americans competed strongly in suitable lines. Japanese competition was keen for average wools, and Yorkshire and the Continent also offered good support. Greasy merino fetched 51½d.



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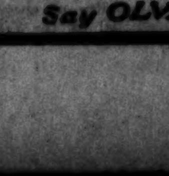

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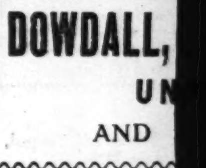

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BROADCASTING IN THE FREE STATE.

Mr. D. McAteer, 5 Ely Place, Dublin, who presided at the Radio meeting held on Tuesday evening and reported in yesterday's *Irish Times*, writes:—

"In bringing before the meeting a few points for discussion on the 'Radio Situation in Ireland,' I mentioned that the controlling authority was the Postmaster-General, and that I presumed this authority was derived from the 1904 Wireless Telegraphy Act applied to the Irish Free State through the 'Adaptation of Enactments Act.' I further stated that contemporary records seemed to show that the P.M.G. took a personal interest in radio matters, and if that were so he would probably do his best to further any agreed scheme laid before him by the various bodies interested. To raise discussion on the particular point, I expressed the personal opinion that European experience had shown that the Irish P.M.G. was right in supporting a broadcast scheme run by private enterprise rather than by the Government.

"Towards the close of the discussion a member asked was there any undisclosed reason why a broadcasting station had not been started. In answer, I suggested that, perhaps, a broadcast station, erected solely under the authority of the Irish Free State Government, might be held to contravene Clause 2 (a) of the Annex to the Irish Free State (Agreement) Act, 1922. The omission of the word, perhaps, leaves me in the position of daring to interpret a Clause drawn up by politicians, whereas, as anyone knows, the proper way to do that is to set up a commission for the purpose."

INQUEST ON A SOLICITOR.

At the inquest at Ballynatray, near Dungarvan, on the body of Mr. James Murray, solicitor, which was found floating in the River Blackwater, the jury returned a verdict of "found drowned." Mr. Murray, who was a young man, practised his profession in Lismore and Dungarvan. He had been missing for some days.

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

A Medical Editor. — Sir W. Arbuthnot Lane, the eminent surgeon, has been appointed editor of the *Practitioner*, the medical journal.

New Dean of St. Albans.—The Bishop of St. Albans has appointed Provost Edward Lowry Henderson, of St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, to Rector of St. Albans. His Majesty the King has approved of his appointment as Dean of St. Albans.

Travellers' Holidays.—The railway companies have agreed that commercial travellers' week-end tickets, issued on Wednesday, 24th December, shall be available for the return journey up to 12 o'clock midnight on Monday, 29th December.

Shipbuilding Boom. — The Tees shipbuilders announce the biggest output of new tonnage since 1919. Compared with 30 new ships and a tonnage of 75,570 last year, they have this year built 72 new ships of 185,182 tons gross.

Major Fixed.—At Ascot yesterday Major Percival Laurence Maurice Battye, of the Welsh Guards, Master of Household Drag Hounds, was fined £20 for driving a motor car to the common danger. Notice of appeal was given.

Theories of Fashion.—The wife of Ailton Stickley, a hatpin maker, who committed suicide at Geneva, said that he had been out of work for many months because all the hatpin factories were closed. "No more hatpins were needed through women wearing the new style of tight-fitting cloche hats."

Direction To Be Third.—At London Mansion House yesterday Henry Fenton, of Chidswell, Dewsbury, was committed for trial on charges of fraudulent conversion of funds belonging to Fenton Textile Association, Ltd., of which he was a director. The amount alleged to be involved is £240,000.

New Motor Record. — The motor track record over five kilometres was beaten at the Linas Montlhery track yesterday afternoon by Eldridge on a 300 h.p. Fiat. His time for the distance was one minute twenty-seven and two hundredths seconds, a speed of over 128 miles per hour.—(Reuter.)

American Marriages. — First married at 14, and now 45, Mrs. La Forge, an American woman of St. Louis, has just obtained her eleventh divorce, says a cable to the Paris edition of the *New York Herald*. She was united to one man three times, but each marriage ended in the divorce court.

A Haul of Whiskey.—Thieves broke into the bottling stores of Messrs. Charles Blundell and Co., distillers, in the Birbeck road, London, on Tuesday night and stole a motor lorry laden with a hundred dozen bottles of whiskey. The thieves forced a padlock of the door, started the lorry, which was loaded for the morning's deliveries, and drove away.

Killed on Line. — When last afternoon's train from Sutton-on-Sea to Willoughby was approaching Mumby road station, Lincs., it ran into and killed a man who was apparently attempting to cross the line. There is a level crossing at the spot. The deceased man was identified as a brother of the Rev. A. Gould, Vicar of Huttoft.

Tetrazzini to "Broadcast." — Mme. Tetrazzini will broadcast a number of songs from Rome on Christmas Day. She will sing in English as well as in Italian, the items including "The Last Rose of Summer" and "Somewhere a Voice is Calling." The concert will begin at 8.30 p.m. The wave-length of the station is 425 metres.

Improving King's Cross.—The London and North-Eastern Railway have decided to carry out large improvements to the departure platforms at King's Cross Station. The scheme includes underground bathrooms, lavatories, hairdressing saloons, and a new inquiry office for passengers, and will involve a cost of £10,000.

Record Turkeys.—More than 4,000 birds were exhibited at the Birmingham Poultry Show, the largest ever held in the city. The collection of turkeys was described by the judges as the finest in the country. Some of them are so fat that it was impossible to put them through the doors of the cages, which had to be dismantled and built round the birds.

Imperial Defence.—The Army Committee of the House of Commons was reconstituted at a meeting yesterday. Lieutenant-Colonel Spender Clay was elected chairman, Brigadier-General E. A. Makins and Major Ralph Glyn joint hon. secretaries, and Major J. B. Cohen hon. treasurer. This Committee is non-party, and will hold its next meeting early in February.

Election Aftermath.—At Newport, Mon., yesterday, Eliza Cregg, a working woman, aged 55 years, was committed for trial, charged with having applied for a ballot paper after having voted once at the recent election. The defendant, who said that she could not read nor write, denied the offences. At the same court, Elizabeth Williams, aged 40 years, was committed for trial for personation.

A French Fishermen Strike. — The attempt of the Minister of Labour to arbitrate between the masters and workpeople engaged in the French sardine industry has failed, and this week a dispirited delegation of men and women returned to Douarnanez. The strike is for an extra 45 centimes (1½d.) an hour, which the masters refused to grant. The strike is spreading all along the coast. The fishermen refuse to go to sea.

Could Not Afford It. — Fourteen old London horse cab-drivers were elected to annuities of £20, awarded by the Cabdrivers' Benevolent Association. Mr. Glossop Soch, who presided at the meeting, said that he had written to Mr. Ford asking him for a contribution of £15,000 to their funds as part payment for the unemployment he had been the means of causing. "I had no reply," he added.

Sleepy Sickness.—The provision of schools for children who suffer from sleepy sickness is being considered by the London County Council. Dr. Charles Glen, in the annual report of the Metropolitan Asylums Board for last year, states:—"It seems that the disease may pass through a phase in which physical changes are the only prominent feature, so that crimes may be committed for which the offender is not fully responsible."

Radium Lost.—A small tube of radium, part of a supply worth £2,000, presented to the Hull Royal Infirmary, is missing. Last applied to a baby in the out-patients' department on Tuesday. The tube, it is feared, got lodged in the child's clothing and was carried into the street and lost. The police are assisting in the search. £800 was raised by public subscription to equip the infirmary with a supply of radium, and the balance of the cost was provided by Mr. T. B. Ferens.

Mumbo Jumbery.—Major Hindpath, Inspector of Mines, giving evidence before the Royal Commission on Mining Subsidence, yesterday, said that the hydraulic stowage of void left in mines by the extraction of minerals as practised on the Continent did not prevent, but generally reduced, surface subsidence and consequent damages. The universal adoption of hydraulic stowage in Britain was out of the question, as its cost was greater than the surface damages.

A Doctor's Death. — On Tuesday afternoon the body of a man was found lying near a chalk-pit on the Chiltern Hills, near Wendover. By his side was an umbrella, and on the gold band was inscribed: "H. Williamson, Queen Anne street, West." The body was identified as that of Dr. Williamson, who had been missing from his home in London for some time. There was no suspicion of foul play, as valuables were found on the body. An inquest verdict of "death from syncope" was returned.

Motor Bandits Sentenced. — At the Old Bailey yesterday Mr. Justice Shearman sentenced Tom Whittaker Lee, aged 26, tick tacker, and Herbert Edward Scott, 27, clerk, to three years' penal servitude each for breaking and entering the shop of Courlanders, Ltd., at Richmond, and stealing a necklace valued at £400. The window was broken with a stone and the necklace snatched. One of defendants was in a turning near by, and the other in a waiting motor car, and they drove away with a third man.

English Farmers Coming. — The Council of the National Farmers' Union, which met in London yesterday, endorsed a resolution of the General Purposes Committee approving of the action taken by Mr. T. H. Ryland, the president, in correspondence that had passed between him and the Minister of Agriculture. The Council further decided that the position of the Union, having been made clear in the correspondence between the president and the Minister of Agriculture, the invitation extended by the Government to the Union to nominate six representatives to take part in the proposed Agricultural Conference should be accepted.

Amazing New Theatre. — Sir Walter Gibbons explained at the Carlton Hotel, London, to a gathering of people interested in theatrical matters details of the new Capitol Theatre, which is being erected at the corner of the Haymarket and Jermyn street. The building would comprise, in addition to a theatre, a restaurant and two ballrooms. It would also be exceptional in being situated on the first and not on the ground floor. Mr. Joseph Clavering and his brother, Mr. Albert Clavering, would be the tenants at a rental of £40,000 a year. Mr. Albert Clavering said the theatre would be opened at first as a cinema theatre. There would be seating accommodation for 2,000. By pressing a button the orchestra could be elevated to a level with the stage.

Surprise for a Vicar. — The Rev. T. P. Stevens, the new Vicar of St. Matthew's Church, New Kent road, London, who publicly deplored the church's dismal interior, and stated that as soon as funds were available he would replace the antiquated lighting with a more up-to-date system, was astonished on entering the building this week to find workmen installing a new lighting apparatus. The workmen were able to tell him that the cost was being defrayed by a man who heard the Vicar's statement, but wished to remain anonymous.

TOURIST TRAFFIC.

DEVELOPMENT IN THE FREE STATE.

At the National Tourist Conference, held at Government Buildings, Dublin, on Monday, under the chairmanship of the Minister for Industry and Commerce, the whole question of ways and means for successful development was discussed.

The Minister said that he was keenly interested in the development of tourist traffic, and was anxious that the organisation should be established on a solid basis.

Detailed reports of the work already done by different organisations were submitted to the meeting, and there was unanimous agreement on the necessity for a national body to undertake the work of preparation and publicity and to be in close touch with the Government.

A further Conference of representatives of Tourist Development Bodies in the Free State was held on Tuesday, Mr. E. J. Riordan, of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, presiding. At this meeting the matter was dealt with in a more detailed manner, and, on the ratification by the several Executives of the various agreements made, a meeting will be held early in the new year to launch the movement on a national scale.

The attendance at the Conference on Monday included the following:—

Messrs. F. M. Summerfield (President) and James Moore, Secretary, Irish Motor Agents Association; John J. Egan, Secretary, Irish Motorist Union; H. W. Eds, London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company; G. W. Mauger, Great Western Railway; J. McIntyre, City of Cork Steam Packet Company; A. Canavan, United States Lines, V.P. Irish Tourist Association; D. P. O'Brien, Secretary, Irish Tourist Association; D. Barry, British and Irish Steam Packet Company, Limited; J. C. Foley, President, Irish Tourist Association; J. D. Manning, Manager, Jury's Hotels; Kevin J. Kenny, Publicity Club of Ireland; Thomas Hogan, Canadian Pacific; Thomas Millard, Great Southern Railways Company; A. W. Hewett, Hewett's Tours; H. Crawford Hartnell, Tourist Organisation Society of Ireland; G. R. Odell, Treasurer, Tourist Organisation Society of Ireland, and Vice-Chairman, Hotel, Restaurant and Catering Association; Robert Kidney, Secretary, Hotel, Restaurant and Catering Association; John L. Leech, Hon. Secretary, West of Ireland Tourist Development Association; D. V. Foley, Irish Tourist Association; J. D. Murphy, Cunard Line; A. Gillis, T. Cook and Son, Ltd.; George Harris, White Star Line; Walter Sexton and C. Nolan Ferrall, Royal Irish Automobile Club; E. J. Riordan and J. Williams, Department of Industry and Commerce; F. McCarron, Department of Local Government; Sean Lester, Publicity Department.

ORMOND QUAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The Rev. Thomas Byers, M.A., the newly-appointed Minister to Ormond quay Presbyterian Church, Dublin, and Mrs. Byers were cordially welcomed by the members of the congregation at an enjoyable social gathering held last evening, over which Rev. J. L. Morrow, Clontarf, presided.

The welcome was extended by Rev. R. K. Hanna, on behalf of the Dublin Presbytery; by Mr. J. K. McConnell on the part of the office-bearers of the church; by the Rev. Dr. Irwin, Wesley College, representing the Methodist Church, and by Mr. W. S. Murison on the part of the congregation, who mentioned that their late minister, Rev. F. C. Gibson would have been with them that evening but for the illness of his wife.

Rev. Thomas Byers, replying, said that he had come to Ormond quay Church with the ambition to do well the work he would find to his hand.

Before the proceedings ended Dr. Ternan, on behalf of the congregation, presented Mr. Byers with a gown and Master of Arts hood, Mrs. McConnell placing the gown on the newly-installed minister. Mrs. Byers was presented with a rose bowl, and the Rev. J. J. Morrow was presented with a cheque for having taken charge of the congregation during the vacancy.

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TO-DAY.

The letters "S.B." signify a simultaneous broadcast from the station mentioned.

LONDON (2LO)—365 Metres.
1.0-2.0—Time signal. The Week's Concert of New Gramophone Records. 3.15-3.45—Transmission to Schools. Professor A. J. Ireland on "Lives of Great Men." 4.0-5.0—Time signal. Concert. "Your Liability Towards Your Servants": "The Building of Steamheage." 5.30-6.15—Children's Corner. 5.40-6.55—Practical Tips to Motorists. 7.0 — Time signal from Big Ben. Weather Forecast and News. Talk by the Radio Society of Great Britain. Mr. F. G. Keller, "Some Impressions of Native Life in Java." 7.35 — An Evening of Grand Opera: Miriam Licette (soprano), Beatrice Miranda (soprano), Constance Willis (contralto), Browning Mummery (tenor), Walter Widdop (tenor), William Anderson (bass). B.N.O.C. Male Voice Chorus. 9.30—Time signal from Greenwich. Weather Forecast and News. Sir Charles Anderson on "The Christmas Rush at the Post Office." 10.0—Grand Opera. 10.30—Close.

BIRMINGHAM (5IT)—475 Metres.
3.30-4.30—The Station Piano Quintet. Dorothy Robson (soprano). 5.0-5.30—Women's Corner: Mildred Forder, Dramatic Recital. 5.30-5.50—Children's Corner. 5.30-5.45—Teens' Corner: Uncle Edgar in a Recital. 7.0-10.30—The entire programme S.B. from London.

BOURNEMOUTH (2BM)—385 Metres.
3.45-5.0—The Orpheus Trio. 5.0-5.0—Children's Corner. 5.0-6.0—Scholars' Half-Hour. 6.30-6.45—Farmers' Talk. 7.0-10.30—The entire programme S.B. from London.

MANCHESTER (2LY)—375 Metres.
11.30-12.30—Concert, by the "2LY" Quartet. 4.30-5.0—Women's Half-hour. 5.0-5.0—Children's Corner. 6.30—Boy Scouts' Local News Bulletins. 6.50-6.55—Prof. A. S. Raper, "The Choice of Diet." 7.0-10.30—The entire programme S.B. from London.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—400 Metres.
11.30-12.30—Orchestra: Robert Ness (concertina), Bessie Byers (contralto). 3.45-5.15—M.U.O.W. Male Voice Quartet. Oliver Lambert (solo pianoforte). Annie Shaw on "Christmas Customs." 5.15-5.0—Children's Corner. 5.0-6.30—Scholars' Half-hour. 6.45-6.55—Mr. J. L. Gibson, B.A., a French Talk. 7.0-10.30—The entire programme S.B. from London.

ABERDEEN (2SD)—495 Metres.
3.30-4.0 — Scottish Afternoon: The Wireless Orchestra and Barbara Ramsay (soprano). Feminine Topics. 5.30-6.15—Children's Corner: A Children's Play. 6.30-6.50—The Rev. Alexander, Chaplain 49th Co.: "A Message to Chaplains of the Boys' Brigade." 7.0-10.30—The entire programme S.B. from London.

GLASGOW (2SC)—429 Metres.
3.30-4.30 — Request Afternoon: The Wireless Quartet, Emmeline Faulin (pianist). Afternoon Topics. 5.15-5.0—Children's Corner. 6.0-6.5—Weather Forecast for Farmers. 7.0-10.30—The entire programme S.B. from London.

LIVERPOOL (2LV)—318 Metres.
3.30-4.30—Orchestra. 5.30-6.30 — Children. 7.0-10.30—London Programme.

BELFAST (2BE)—435 Metres.
3.30-5.0—Quintin D. Nicol. The Station Orchestra. Orchestra: March, "God of Thunder" (Howgill); Overture, "Robespierre" (Litolff). Quintin D. Nicol: "To Phyllida" (Del Riego), "My Queen" (Jacques Blumenthal). "The Yeoman's Wedding Song" (Poniatowski). Orchestra: Ballet Music from "Faust" (Gasbod). "Japanese Suite" (Holst). Quintin D. Nicol: "An Irish Reel" (J. Molloy). "The Gold Plaid Shawl" (Battison Haynes). "Off to Philadelphia" (Battison Haynes). Orchestra: Berceuse (Jocelyn) (Godard), "Chanson Hindoo" (Rimsky-Korsakov). Suite, "The Rebel Maid" (Phillips); Fox-trot, "They Didn't Chicken Cross the Road?" 5.30-6.15—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. S.B. from London. Radio Society Talk. S.B. from London. Mr. F. G. Keller. S.B. from London. 9.0-9.0—Programme S.B. from London. 9.0-9.0—Ceremonial Opening of the Belfast Branch of "Toc H" by the Lord Mayor of Belfast, at the City Hall. 9.0-9.30—Programme S.B. from London. 9.30—Weather Forecast and News. S.B. from London. Sir Charles Sanderson. S.B. from London. 10.0-10.30—Programme S.B. from London.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE CORK CORPORATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—At the recent meeting of the Cork Chamber of Commerce Mr. Foley said that "Mr. Monahan had already made a good start by reducing the local rates to the extent of 1s. 1d. in the £." Will you permit me, in all fairness to the members of the Corporation and the officials, to say that the rates for the current half-year have been fixed on the estimates prepared by the members of the Cork Corporation and the committees before Mr. Monahan's appointment? I feel sure that Mr. Monahan would be the first to acknowledge that the reduction was budgeted for by the members of the Corporation before he came. Now that he is here, I would hope that he is entitled to the support and help of all good citizens in dealing with the administration of our city.

Many people think that it might be wiser not to interfere with the architects' plan for the municipal buildings. The lowest tender, being, it seems, only £3,000 over the amount of the award, roughly is only 5 *per cent.* on the proposed expenditure. It should not be forgotten that the amount of the award is bearing interest at the rate of 5 *per cent. per annum*, and this will go a long way towards paying the extra money. It might be no harm to mention here what appears not to be generally known—that the accepted tender is only for a "section" of the municipal buildings, and it is likely that it will require more than double the money to complete the architects' design and original prize plan for the town hall and the municipal buildings. I write this letter at the request of many of my colleagues in the Corporation.—Yours, etc.,

John Hanley Scott,
High Sheriff of Cork.

Wellington House, Cork.
December 15th, 1924.

CRUELTY TO CATTLE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—This Society is greatly concerned at the present condition of cattle transport from Ireland and the appalling amount of unnecessary cruelty to the animals, which results in such a big monetary loss to the Irish trade. The state of the flesh and hides when the beasts reach their cross-Channel destinations is such that many protests have been received by the trade and the Ministry of Agriculture here. One association of English meat traders states that it is considering the advisability of drawing the attention of the English R.S.P.C.A. to the matter. The Dublin S.P.C.A. is working to improve matters, and we have written to the various bodies interested, but we fear that no improvement will be effected until the Ministry of Agriculture enforces rigorously the regulations with regard to the tying of beasts on board ship and takes some steps to improve methods of driving from markets and loading them on to the ships.

One immediate reform that we believe has the support of the bulk of the cattle trade would be the compulsory use of the London goad by drovers, as a great deal of the damage is done by the heavy sticks, which are used remorselessly. We wonder, considering the cruelty and money loss involved to themselves, that the cattle traders have allowed such a state of affairs to arise; but it is just similar to the way in which the Irish egg and butter trade loses through faulty packing and careless grading. We hope that the necessary regulations will be made promptly and enforced rigorously, and that this scandalous condition of affairs will be put right.—Yours, etc.,

May Crosbie, Honorary Secretary,
North County Dublin Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Malahide, Co. Dublin,
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The three Nominees for the vacancy in the Senate, caused by the resignation of Sir Maurice Fox.

Mr. James Green, B.A., whose appointment as Assistant Secretary to the Board of Education has been announced in London.

Miss Susan M. A. Mollan, who receives the Commissionership of Charities Endowment.

Dr. R. M. Jones, Principal of the Royal Belfast Academical Institution, who has given to the Board of Governors a Collection of Silver Coins, deposited in the Institution about 1800.

(Irish Times, Lafayette, etc.

WOMEN TRAPPED BY FIRE. — Four married women were rescued from the top storey of a rag warehouse in St. Columba street, Leeds, yesterday afternoon, where a fire had broken out. The women were Kate Cunningham, 66; Mary Donnelly, 61; Mary McLoughlin, 66; Mary Drummond, 40.

FOG CURTAILS RACING.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Wednesday Night.

No racing was possible this afternoon at Windsor. There was some fog on the course early, which grew worse as the morning lengthened, so at midday the Stewards decided that it would be impossible to race, and postponed the day's programme until to-morrow, abandoning that fixed for the following afternoon.

There are a good number of horses on the course for the various events. Argentine has arrived for the Mill Hurdle, but, smart as he is supposed to be, he may not beat GENERAL POST. ARDUOUS, Tullygorey, and Headmaster have all arrived for the Windsor Handicap Steeplechase, and the selection of the first-named stands. As Rathluck has not so far been sent for the Oakside Handicap Hurdle, this event may fall to DARK DAVID, who is on the spot.

GALTEE MORE.

BETTING FORECAST.

WINDSOR.

1.0 Race—7 to 4 agst. General Post, 3 to 1 Blue Bridge, 9 to 2 Argentine, 7 to 1 Billy Beck, 8 to 1 each Prince Jerome and Azimuth, 10 to 1 Leartes, 100 to 8 any other.

1.30 Race—7 to 4 agst. Fitzpicton, 3 to 1 Helmet, 7 to 2 Turning Point, 9 to 2 Steady March, 7 to 1 Tyrannical, 10 to 1 any other.

2.0 Race—5 to 4 agst. Head Master, 11 to 4 Cylvida, 4 to 1 Tullygorey, 7 to 1 Lovely Bird, 10 to 1 any other.

2.30 Race—Evens Saxham Prince, 3 to 1 agst. Fool Proof, 9 to 2 Petty Cury, 11 to 2 Troika, 6 to 1 Brandy Snap, 7 to 1 Blarney Stone, 8 to 1 Brown Pom, 10 to 1 any other.

3.0 Race—5 to 2 agst. May King, 7 to 2 Dark David, 9 to 2 Animated, 5 to 1 Moseley, 7 to 1 each Pizarro and Agincourt, 8 to 1 each Flighty and Gold Willow, 10 to 1 each Dervish and Goldendale, 100 to 8 any other.

3.30 Race—2 to 1 agst. Lukeston, 3 to 1 Priority, 7 to 2 Lee Bridge, 5 to 1 Gem, 7 to 1 St. Jago, 8 to 1 Condor, 10 to 1 any other.

"FORM" HORSES.

WINDSOR.

1. 0—General Post. 2.30—Saxham Prince.
1.30—Helmet. 3. 0—May King.
2. 0—Head Master. 3.30—Lukeston.
Double—Head Master (nap) and Saxham Prince.

A Student of Form.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best — General Post. Double—General Post and Saxham Prince.

Daily News:—Double—Saxham Prince and Lukeston.

Daily Express:—Double — Fitzpicton and Pizarro. Safety bet—Fitzpicton (each way).

Daily Graphic:—Double — Cylvida and Chartered.

Daily Mirror:—Double—General Post and Head Master (nap).

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

In the second round of the National Breeders' Trial Stakes at the North Kildare Coursing Meeting last week, Candow beat Tiles after a no course. Candow was beaten by Hidden Sands in the semi-final.

Lord St Davids has purchased White Bud, the winner of last year's Lincolnshire Handicap, for his breeding stud.

Lord Howard de Walden, who recently resigned from the Jockey Club, intends reducing the number of his horses in training. He will, it is understood, leave England shortly for a long shooting expedition in East Africa.

Captain Cyril Kirk now has a big string of horses under his charge at Lanwades, near Newmarket. He is the son of Mr. Pardo Kirk, of Carrickfergus, and some years ago, after leaving the 17th Lancers, Captain Kirk was at Clarehaven with Mr. P. P. Gilpin.

GOLF.

ROYAL DUBLIN.—Saturday next, the following will represent Royal Dublin v. the Bar of Ireland:—H. Brown and Capt. T. G. Brown, J. D. Walsh and T. Johnson, Capt. W. Mooney and T. Harrington, C. Corballis and E. L. Kidd, K. O'Duffy and R. W. Bacon, J. J. Crowe and A. Lloyd Blood, S. Lambert and Capt Webb, J. F. Stokes and W. S. Crawley, L. Werner and H. Eustace, W. Purser and J. Robb, S. Manning and H. Horan.

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Mr. P. Lynch, K.C., presided at a meeting, at which lists of athletes for registration were submitted by Clonliffe Harriers, Dublin City, Donore, Great Southern and Western Railway, Castleville, and City and Suburban, and passed. Entry forms for the Novices' Cross-Country Championship, to be held on 17th prox., were distributed. The scrutiny and draw for stations will take place on January 5th. In view of the Cross-Country International taking place in Dublin in March next, it was decided to increase the distance of the County Senior Championship from 9 to 10 miles.

Owing to the success of the Inter-Schools competition held in May, it was decided to hold two similar competitions next year for boys under 15 and for boys under 18. The date provisionally fixed was May 16th. The programme for the junior competition decided on was 75 yards, 220 yards, high jump, long jump, putting 7lb. shot, and relay race (teams of 4 each to run 150 yards), and for the senior, 100 yards, 300 yards, one mile, high jump, long jump, putting 10lb. shot, and relay race (teams of 4 each to run 220 yards).

The next meeting will be held on January 5th.

WINDSOR.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

The weather was misty during the early morning yesterday in the Windsor district, but as the fog increased it was found impossible to race, and it was decided to postpone yesterday's programme to to-day and abandon to-day's programme. Selections:—

Mill Hurdle—**Argentine.**
Rays Steeplechase—**Mask Man.**
Windsor Steeplechase—**Cylvida.**
Wednesday Hurdle—**Chartered.**
Oakside Hurdle—**Animated.**
Forest Steeplechase—**H. A. Brown's selected**

1.0—MILL HURDLE of 110 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.

- BLUE BRIDGE (Maj. S. J. Green) McDougal 6 12 0
- FIRE WATER (Sir G. Abercromby) Jackson 5 12 0
- LORD OFFALY (Mrs. E. Brock) G. Bennett 5 12 0
- WILD SWAN (Sir Edward Edgar) Whitaker 4 11 9
- AZIMUTH (Mr. Gilbert Johnstone) E. Piggott 4 11 9
- LEARTES (Miss A. McKenna) McKenna 4 11 9
- MAXIMUS (Lt.-Col. E. M. Dansey) Faulkner 4 11 9
- PRINCE JEROME (Mr. R. W. Tilly) T. Leader 3 10 7

(The above have arrived.)

- GENERAL POST (Mr. H. J. Greville) Smyth 4 12 2
- BELSIZE (Mr. P. W. Shaw) G. Bennett 6 12 0
- GOLDEN DUKE (Mr. T. Richardson) E. Doyle 5 12 0
- LEMBACH (Mr. W. T. de Pledge) Pope 5 12 0
- GLEN ANDRED (Mr. E. M. Crosse) Cundell 5 12 0
- INVISIBLE (Miss F. Goodman) Hulme 5 12 0
- KILWINNING (Mrs. H. McKenna) McKenna 9 12 0
- CLOVE PINK (Mr. J. J. Goding) Gilbert 5 12 0
- TIBET (Mr. Hoboken) ....Knel 4 11 9
- DOWSER (Mr. G. Hooper) ....Private 4 11 9
- ALOPEX (Mr. J. Hutton) ....G. Poole 4 11 9
- MONTCALM (Mr. J. Hutton) G. Poole 4 11 9
- ARCHANGEL (Mr. W. F. Larkin) Larkin 4 11 9
- IVYMOUNT (Sir Malcolm McAlpine) G. Poole 4 11 9
- LINDHOLM (Mr. J. C. Mackay) Butchers 4 11 9
- ROYAL SILVER (Mr. Mather) ..Larkin 4 11 9
- RED GAUNTLET (Mr. O. M. Smith) Dale 4 11 9
- STINEL (Mr C. S. Clarke) ..Hastings 4 11 9
- TUDOR KING (Mr. J. S. Courtauld) A. Law 4 11 9
- ROMEO'S RUNNER (Mr. J. G. Bletsoe) Bletsoe 4 11 9
- ZARA (Lady Edgar) ....Whitaker 4 11 9
- PARIS FLIGHT (Mr. G. C. Haris Hamilton) ....Cobb 4 11 9
- GOLDEN (Mr. A. Boutall, jun.) Higgs 3 11 3
- ARGENTINE (Mr. E. Bates) W. Payne 3 10 7
- TOILING TESSIE (Mr. H. J. Boam) East 3 10 7
- MUSTELLINE (Mr. H. J. Delaforce) W. Nightingall 3 10 7
- LITTLE BUTTERCUP (Mr. R. G. Fothergill) .... Private 3 10 7
- BILLY BECK (Mr. W. L. Green) Gwilt 3 10 7
- AMBIT (Miss S. Grey Wilson) R. Gordon 3 10 7
- POLIN (Mr. S. Joel) ...... Westmorland 3 10 7
- STARTLED (Mr. G. Reed) ...R. Payne 3 10 7
- TUTANKHAMEN (Mr. H. M. Stobart) J. M. Bell 3 10 7
- GRANPAU (Lady Westmorland) Westmorland 3 10 7

1.30—RAYS SELLING H'CAP STEEPLECHASE of 110 sovs. 2 m. Age. st. lb.

- CRAGGIE ROCK (Mr. T. Hartigan) C. Young 9 11 0
- ORMSKIRK (Mr. T. Frankland)...A. Law 8 10 5
- ARNOLD (Mr. R. G. Sharp)..Withington 10 10 3
- HELMET (Mr. M. B. Sunderland) S. Bennet 9 10 2
- TYRANNICAL (Mr. G. S. L. Whitelaw) Hammond a 10 0

(The above have arrived.)

- GOLDEN VICTORY (Mr. W. Parrish) Martin 7 12 7
- GREENOGUE (Major D. Campbell) Westmorland 10 12 0
- MASK MAN (Mr. C. Day Harris) Butchers 9 11 11
- TIM (Mr. J. W. Woods)..........Stanley 13 11 7
- FELTHAM HILL (Mr. R. C. Robb) Robb 6 11 0
- TURNING POINT (Major D. M. Methven) Powell 8 10 12
- FITZPICTON (Captain H. C. Davey) Goby 6 10 7
- TURBIT (Mrs. N. S. Gritt) ......Gilbert 9 10 5
- MERRY HORN (Mr. P. W. Hyde) Benstead 6 10 2
- CON CREGAN (Mr. H. A. Brown) H. A. Brown 11 10 1
- TURBINE SECUNDUS (Mr. J. Pendarves) Pendarves 11 10 0
- ROMULUS (Major A. F. Vigor) W. Nightingall 8 10 0
- STEADY MARCH (Lady Chesham) Kemp 7 10 0
- LADOMINE (Mr. J. T. Pearce) Kemp 7 10 0
- THE ANTELOPE II. (Major D. M. Methven) Powell a 10 0
- THE BOATSWAIN (Lt.-Col. G. W. Parkinson) ....Private 4 10 0

2.0—WINDSOR HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. 2 m. Age. st. lb.

- TULLYGOREY (Mr. T. Donnelly) Gilbert 10 12 7
- ARDUOUS (7lb. ex.) Maj. C. Norrie) G. Bennett 7 12 6
- HEAD MASTER (Mr. Blinkiron) W. Nightingall 6 11 3
- SEE TOO (Mr. S. Bunker)........Orbell 6 11 3
- LONE HAND (Mr. A. W. Hedges) Hedges 6 10 13
- CYLVIDA (Mr. E. Piggott)...E. Piggott 7 10 13

(The above have arrived.)

- LOVELY BIRD (Mr. Knight) Killalee 7 11 12
- PROSPERITZ (Mr. Counsell) E. Piggott 10 11 4
- FUGO (Mr. T. Davidson)........Hastings 6 11 2
- RANTER (Mr. W. F. Larkin)......Larkin 8 11 0
- JOE MACK (Mr. F. E. Austin) Kemp 10 10 11

2.30—WEDNESDAY SELLING HURDLE of 110 sovs. 2 m. Age. st. lb.

- FOOL PROOF (Miss E. Cobbold) Blackwell 7 12 0
- ROYAL BUCKS (Mr. L. Hammond) Hammond 11 12 0
- PETTY CURY (Mr. T. Hartigan) C. Young 6 12 0
- SAXHAM PRINCE (Mr. R. H. Tattersall) G. Poole 10 12 0
- ST. CORENTIN (Mr. J. Pendarves) Pendarves 7 12 0
- BLARNEY STONE (Mr. J. A. Phillips) W. Nightingall 7 12 0
- 13TH HUSSAR (Mr. A. Boutall, jun.) Higgs 4 11 9

(The above have arrived.)

- GRAYSTOWN (Mr G. N. Bennett) G. Bennett 10 12 0
- ITALIAN SUMMER (Mr. G. N. Bennett) G. Bennett 7 12 0
- LONE WOLF (Mr. M. Dollar) W. Payne 6 12 0
- CHARTERED (Mr. A. C. E. Howeson) W. Nightingall 6 12 0
- NONENTITY (Mr. C. M. Methven) Powell 7 12 0
- BRANDY SNAP (Mr. W. Parrish) MacColl 6 12 0
- SOUTHPORT (Mr. W. Pearson) H. Thunder 8 12 0
- OREGON (Mr. R. C. Goby) ....Goby 4 11 9
- BROWN POM (Mr. W. A. Read) W. Escott 4 11 9
- TROIKA (Mrs. C. Stevens) ....Stevens 5 11 9

3.0—OAKSIDE HANDICAP HURDLE of 150 sovs. 2 m. Age. st. lb.

- GOLDENDALE (Capt. C. R. B. Leake) Doyle 6 11 9
- MOSELEY (Mr. F. Phillips) ...Anthony 4 11 7
- MAY KING (Mrs. M. D. Coats) McDougal 5 11 4
- DARK DAVID (Mr. C. M. Hennessey) J. T. Dodd 4 11 2
- PIZARRO (Sir E. Edgar).........Whitaker 4 10 6
- STREAM (Mrs. Booth)..............Lindsay 6 10 5
- GOLD WILLOW (Mr. J. Johnstone) T. Leader 4 10 4

(The above have arrived.)

- ISLE O' WIGHT (Maj H. Eves) W. Payne 5 12 2
- FOUNDATION (Mr. H. J. Boam)...Dale 6 11 9
- AGINCOURT (Mr. J. Graeme Thomson) F. A. Brown 4 11 8
- ANIMATED ...(Sir Ernest Mills) De Winton 4 11 4
- DERVISH (Mr. A. Clarke) ....Dale 6 11 4
- OH, DICK (Mrs. C. Stevens) Stevens 5 11 3
- ALOPEX (Mr. J. Hutton)..... G. Poole 4 11 1
- SILVER HACKLE (Lady Westmorland) Westmorland 6 11 0
- ANTIMAGIC (Mr. Osmond).......Larkin 6 10 12
- WINDCOTE (Mr. G. Reed) R. Payne 4 10 9
- FESTOON (Mr. F. H. W. Cundell)..Cundell 4 10 9
- ROY MAC (Mrs. K. Paling)..........Smyth 4 10 9
- JATSY (Mr W. Whitbread)......S. Bennet 5 10 9
- FLIGHTY (Mrs. G. Bennett) G. Bennett 4 10 8
- RATHLECK (Lord Londesborough).Private 6 10 8
- GORGIOUS (Mr. T. Tagg)..............Tagg 6 10 7
- MARCH ON (Mr. G. Barclay)......Barclay 4 10 7
- MARSTON MOOR (Mr. W. A. Banker) Hastings 9 10 6
- NEILSTON (Mr. A. Prince)........Hedges 4 10 5
- FINANCIER (Mr. J. Hutton)......G. Poole 7 10 2
- GONDOLIER (Mr. W. H. Allden)...Allden 9 10 0
- ROMAN CANDLE (Mr. V. T. Thompson) F. Hartigan 5 10 0

3.30—FOREST AMATEUR RIDERS' STEEPLECHASE of 110 sovs. 3 m. Age. st. lb.

- HARD NAIL (Lord Denman) ...G. Poole 9 11 7
- LUKESTON (Mr. E. H. Tattersall) G. Poole 11 11 0
- PRIORITY (Mr. D. Clarke) ......Gore 8 11 0
- RED ZONE (Major G. E. W. Franklyn) Rayson 6 10 7
- ST. JAGO (Miss E. Cobbald) Blackwell 8 10 7

(The above have arrived.)

- BRUNO (Mr. W. Whitbread) S. Bennett 10 12 0
- SLOVENLY SAINT (Capt. R. J. L. Speed) .... Jackson 7 12 0
- LIGHTFOOT (Mr. C. N. Brownhill) W. Payne a 10 0
- RUDDY GLOW (Mr. W. Filmer Sankey) H. A. Brown 6 12 0
- GEM (Major C. W. M. Norrie) G. Bennett 8 12 0
- LEE BRIDGE (Mr. R. G. Shaw) Withington 7 12 0
- ROUSHAM (Mr. H. Dyke Dennis) D. Harrison 9 12 0
- CONDOR (Capt. R. Stanyforth) Woodland 7 11 7
- PROCURATOR (Mr. J. G. Bletsoe) Bletsoe 8 11 0
- NORTH WALTHAM (Mr. P. R. Savil) A. Law 7 11 0
- MISCONDUCT (Major D. M. Methven) Powell 5 11 0
- GOOD POINTS (Mr. W. Filmer Sankey) H. A. Brown 9 11 0
- LEASINGHAM ROSS (Mr. F. E. S. Groves) ....Mosley 4 10 7
- LOCKSTEP (Mr. Hoboken) ....Knel 8 10 7
- HIGHBALL (Major V. E. Mocatta) S. Bennet 9 10 7
- APPLE PIE (Sir Ernest Wills) De Winton 5 10 7
- BETCHEN (Mr. J. F. Norris) ...Private a 10 7
- THE UNKNOWN QUANTITY (Mr. W. B. Scott)) .... Private a 10 7

CRICKET.

MR. JOEL'S XI. IN SOUTH AFRICA.

BIG LEAD OVER THE TRANSVAAL.

JOHANNESBURG, December 17.

Mr. S. B. Joels' team of English cricketers to-day established themselves in a very strong position against the Transvaal. Continuing their first innings on a good wicket they carried their overnight score of 224 for 2 wkts. to 349 before they were all dismissed, and thus gained a lead of 240. The chief contributor to this total was Ernest Tyldesley, who scored 147 in excellent style. None of the remaining batsmen showed much enterprise, although the bowling, with the exception of Hall, was very moderate. Hall, who is a Bolton man, and assisted Lancashire several times last season, bowled well, but was not blessed with the best of luck. A feature of the innings was the smart wicket-keeping of V. H. Neser, the old Oxford Rugby Blue. He let only seven extras in the total of 349, and caught three men out. Transvaal batted with their backs to the wall, and when stumps were drawn they had knocked off 116 of the arrears for the loss of three wickets. Score:—

TRANSVAAL.

First Innings 109

Second Innings.

N. Lindsay run out	49
H. Cameron c Bowley b Kennedy	13
M. J. Susskind not out	37
A. H. Cooper b Geary	5
H. G. Deane not out	1
Extras	11
Total (3 wkts.)	116

MR. S. B. JOEL'S XI.

First Innings.

J. C. W. McBryan c Neser b Hall	40
Holmes c Cooper b Hall	18
Tyldesley c and b Dixon	147
Russell b Dixon	36
Capt. T. O. Jameson c and b Duff	3
Bowley c Neser b Hall	3
Hon. L. H. Tennyson l.b.w. b Duff	10
Kennedy c Neser b Hall	12
Parker b Dixon	3
Lieut. E. Bartley l.b.w. b Duff	5
Geary not out	23
Extras	7
Total	349

BOWLING.

Mr. Joel's XI.—First Innings—Cooper, 0 for 43; Hall, 4 for 102; Duff, 3 for 75; Dixon, 3 for 105; Sturgeon, 0 for 17.

ASSOCIATION.

COUNTY ANTRIM SHIELD.

In the replayed tie of the County Antrim Shield yesterday, between Linfield and Larne, the latter gained a surprising victory by 2 goals to 1.

The start was promising for Linfield when Wilson gave them the opening goal, but afterwards they played in listless fashion, and there was little surprise when Andrews equalised before half-time. McKinney scored the winning goal for Larne towards the end. Linfield pressed hard to equalise, but without success. Larne was the faster team and their combination much more effective than that of their opponents.

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

December.	Meet.	Hour.
Saturday, 20th	8-Mile Stone	1.30

THE KILDARE.

To-day	Moore	11.0
Saturday, 20th	Straffan Bridge	11.0

THE MEATH.

To-day	Drumconrath	11.0
Friday, 19th	Laracor	11.0

THE MEATH HOUNDS.

HIGH AVERAGE OF SPORT CONTINUES.

The present week opened at Rathfeigh on Monday last, when "Dunville's gorse," was drawn for the first time this season, and held three foxes, two of which broke at one moment. The hunted one led over the hill down to the Hurley River, where the flood stopped him, and he got to ground by Rathfeigh House. Dunville's was tried again, and supplied a nice hunt over the Ashbourne road, by Dorea Cottage (on the Riverstown side), when hounds swung left-handed over the road, and marked in the "big double." Scent improved later for a gallop from Corballis, with Slator's a field on the left, straight to Knockcomeragh wood, where there was a lot of hunting before hounds came out, and ran by Danestown House, straight for Slator's. Within two fields of it, however, our quarry, dead beat, turned back, and got into the main earth at Knockcomeragh (part of which was not properly stopped) only one hundred yards in front of the pack, who had hunted him well for an hour and three-quarters, and deserved better luck.

The following morning (Tuesday, 16th), in delightful weather, the meet was at Moyglare Cross-roads, and was responsible for a big field. A remarkably fine day's fox-hunting followed, though scent was always catchy. There was a brace in Captain Tuthill's laurels, and had "the field" not been so impetuous when one broke, the speed of the hunt might have been better, but it was quite good enough, considering the deep state of the ground. The line hunted was on a left-handed curve to Mulhussey, then, after a delay, into Colistown, and eventually through it, and a big right-handed circle nearly to the Hatchet, and back to Colistown. Another circle followed on the Jenkinstown side, when the bitches marked in a ditch. A terrier bolted a fox, and we ran him through Colistown, and on, with Jenkinstown on the left, to within a few fields of Hill of Mullagh, where he got in. The time was an hour and fifty minutes. Very few out, except those with second horses, wanted more, but those who went on to Baltrasna came in for a nice evening hunt of 40 minutes from Baltrasna, over Culmullen Bottoms and the Bog River, nearly to Dorey's forge, when hounds turned back left-handed, with Baltrasna close on the right, to Woodtown, where they were run out of scent.

Captain H. Fowler, of Rahinston, who got a bad pitch on Saturday, is about again and nearly alright, fortunately no bones were broken.

It does not come quite in my province to make suggestions to our many riders to hounds of both sexes about their equestrian efforts, so I hope the following will be taken in the spirit in which it is meant—viz., in the cause of humanity. We are so unused in Meath to very deep and holding going, that the now abnormal state of the country does not, sometimes, in the excitement of the chase, present itself to our minds, and make us think sufficiently of the many worthy and willing horses (perhaps screws) we are riding. In the long, twisting hunt above described, I could not help noticing the number of riders who seemed to be incessantly sitting down in their saddles with a slack rein, and driving their horses with their heels (sometimes whips) at the top of their speed throughout all the heavy ground. No one ought to ride directly after hounds, and, therefore, in a twisting hunt, you may be unlucky and get on the outside constantly. If you do, think of your mount, and "sit and suffer," and do not, in your disappointment, over-ride and punish him.

THE GALWAY BLAZERS.

Sport continues to be excellent with this pack. In the Loughrea country last Thursday Lime Hill held a leash, of which one was killed and another got into a drain a few fields away. Hollyhill gorse looked to be blank until, just as hounds were leaving the covert, an old fox jumped out of a dry patch of gorse and set his mask for Ballydoogan. Running hard over this grand grass country, they kept swinging left-handed, and ran close to and past Kenny's gorse and on into Grange. Through this gorse they went now right into Gutrymadden gorse, where they marked to ground. The time was about 40 minutes, and the going being rather heavy, horses had as much as they could do to live with hounds.

Saturday—Loughgeorge. After a very wet night, it was feared our first draw, Cregg Castle, would be too flooded to hold a fox. True enough, Major Heaseman had to row out in a boat through the floods to draw an island of gorse. Waiting in front of the Castle, we heard hounds open and then viewed no less than a leash of foxes crossing the lawn one after the other. Hounds were soon on the line, running fast across the avenue and through the big wood at the back. Now, there is only one way out of Cregg to get away with hounds, and the first fence is a solid double wall which always causes more or less confusion. The lucky ones found hounds across the road running hard on the line of one of their foxes. Fortunately, the going was sound, if sometimes a bit rough, as for the next twenty minutes we had to gallop all we knew, taking the walls as we met them, to keep hounds in view till they reached a big hazel scrubb, where we had a "breather" which the horses needed. Meantime our fox ran up and down the scrubb and got away without being viewed, but a couple or two were on the line, and soon the pack were on hunting, but not at the same pace as before. Running on over a nice line of walls, they reached another hazel scrubb, ran through it, and on almost to Kilcurriff gorse, not far from Castle Hackett, where scent got worse, and eventually failed altogether near a village, after just one hour's hunting. It was a long jog now to Daly's gorse at Durras, where, unfortunately, the fox was stopped in—he was seen later on in the evening—and Corofin gorse, being also blank, finished a good day.

Monday—Carlymore Cross roads. Did not find at Carlymore, but Coolarne supplied a brace, both of which went away at once. Hounds ran their fox hard back to Carlymore and away over the road and on to Mount Brown, where some men working headed him. A couple of casts put hounds right, and they ran on nicely down the hill over the Tuam road, across the railway, and on into Shaughnessy's gorse—a big, wild place, all heather and gorse—where hounds had to acknowledge defeat, after a good forty minutes' hunt.

CARLOW HOUNDS.

SOME GOOD HUNTS.

A small field were welcomed at Kilcumney House on Tuesday, 9th inst, by Mr. Ogle and Miss Malcolmson. Major McCalmont, the neighbouring Master of the Kilkenny Hounds, paid us one of his all too infrequent visits, and was rewarded by a good day's sport. Drawing Kilcumney without success, we jogged on to Lorum. Finding here a fox was holloaed away by "Jack" at the bottom end of the covert, and ran a twisting line over Correy's, facing as though for Ballinree. Turning left-handed, however, and crossing the heavy bottoms under Ballinakill, and leaving Carrigbeg some fields to the left, our fox crossed the rising lands towards Knockclonagad. A long check occurred here, after which hounds could only touch the line faintly for the next few fields. Our fox being some distance ahead, Mr. Grogan deemed it advisable to persevere no further. This was a good hunt of over an hour over a very holding line of country. After a long jog to Kirwin's Glen, hounds found a stout fox there, who lost no time in getting away over the bottoms of Donore. With a burning scent hounds ran hard over the big fields of Ballycormic and left-handed over Lorum Hill. Leaving Lorum behind them, without going through the covert, hounds persevered over this tricky piece of country, and were soon clear of scrub and wild gorse, and crossing Correy's road hounds ran at racing pace across Ballyloughin and over a good line of country in the direction of the Scalp Rocks. Light for some time past had been gradually failing, and it was by "moonlight" that hounds were stopped at the first available opportunity, when checked not far from the Scalp Rocks, after a really good hunt of 1 hour 20 minutes, which ended a capital day's sport.

Hounds met at Russelstown Park after a wild and wet morning on Saturday, 13th. The weather fortunately cleared up before 11 o'clock. The laurels of Russelstown—always a sure find in days gone by—alas were blank to-day, as also was Burton Hall, and it is to be feared that the hand of the trapper has been at work in this district. Hounds found at once in Knockacres Wood and forced their fox out of the bottom and over Killimaster into Duckett's Grove. Crossing the Tullow road behind Mr. Dowse's house, and bearing left-handed here the pack raced their fox on over the Carlow road up to Friarstown, where they marked to ground in the old fox covert. Redrawing Knockacres without success we jogged on to Graney, which did not hold, much to the disappointment of that good covert-keeper, Mr. John Forbes. Maplestown held a good fox, who left on the Beechy Park side, and after running straight for some distance in this direction, wheeled left-handed. Over the big and holding fields of Garretstown hounds ran hard, and finding the earths of Rahill closed to him, their fox turned back sharp left-handed over Lower Garretstown, crossing the Baltinglass road not far from the Yellow Ford. Trying some earths on the banks of the River Slaney, which was in high flood, the fox crossed the railway and river by the road bridge to the outskirts of Mr. Grogan's demesne of Slaney Park. Here all traces of our fox vanished and could not be recovered, thus ending a good hunt of about 50 minutes.

LOUTH HOUNDS—The meet at Mooretown on Saturday will be at 11.30, not 11 o'clock as advertised.

RUGBY.

LEINSTER FINAL SCHOOLS TRIAL.

NORTH, 3 POINTS: SOUTH, 3 POINTS.

After a very scrambling and uninteresting game yesterday at Lansdowne road the match between teams selected from the North side Schools and the South side Schools resulted in a draw of 1 try each. There was very little between the sides, but anything there was favoured the Southern boys, who for the greater portion of the time held the balance of play, and looked more often like scoring than their opponents. For the greater portion of the time it was a tussle between forwards, the backs on either side getting but little to do, and any time it did come their way they made very little use of it. The North side boys were unlucky to lose Lightfoot through injury early in the game, and played without the services of this clever centre for the greater part of the opening half. South were the first to score, M'Ardle picking up in the loose and going over for a try, which Synge failed to convert. The North side improved after this, and a long kick by Hamilton brought play near the South line. Following some loose play the ball was worked over, and M'Govern score, but O'Reilly failed to goal. Lightfoot returned to the North side in the second half, during which both sides attacked in turn, but no further scoring took place. For the North side Schools M'Donald at full, Arigho and Hamilton three-quarters, O'Reilly half, and Nowlan, Tighe, M'Auley and French forwards, were the outstanding players, while on the South side the most noticeable were Benson, B. Hogan, Rossiter, N. V. Hogan, Crowe, Synge and M'Ardle.

Result—
North Schools .... 1 try (3 points).
South Schools .... 1 try (3 points).

Teams—

North (Whites)—M'Donald (Mountjoy); Arigho, Lightfoot (Castleknock), Aylward (Mountjoy), Hamilton (Morgan's); O'Reilly, Keogh (Castleknock); Nowlan (capt.), Dunne, Nash (Mountjoy), Tighe, M'Auley, Crosby (Belvedere), French (Castleknock), M'Govern (King's Hospital).

South (Blues)—Benson (Blackrock); Davies (Andrews), Rossiter (Columba's), N. V. Hogan (C.U.S.), Kenna (Presentation, Bray); R. Hogan (C.U.S.), Crowe (capt.) (Blackrock); Ruttle, Mansfield (Wesley), Synge (Columba's), Keaney, M'Ardle (Blackrock), Lindsay (Masonic), Bardon (High School), Gunning (C.U.S.).

Referee—Mr. C. P. Stuart.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE.

Co. Kilkenny v. Co. Carlow. Kilkenny.

NEW ZEALAND (22) V. HAMPSHIRE (0).

The visit of the "All Blacks" to Portsmouth yesterday proved a big attraction, as many as 15,000 people assembling on the ground of the Portsmouth F.C. at Fratton Park to see Hampshire beaten by two placed goals, one penalty goal, and three tries to nil. Hants did as well in the first half, but this big reverse came as something of a surprise. The forwards played splendidly, better than any pack opposing the New Zealanders for a long time, but superior condition and weight told the longer the game lasted. Chick, Fowlett, Rennie, and, until he was hurt, Orr-Ewing were especially good, and the Hants pack not only got the ball from the scrimmages, but were better than the others in the loose. Kershaw, too, was in fine form, and although the greasy ball handicapped both sides, he got the ball away in his best style. Unfortunately, the county were poorly served at stand-off half, MacDonald taking up his position too close, and being quite unable to take Kershaw's swift passes. On his form yesterday Kershaw must have a strong claim to again represent England. Coutts was weak and Thomas slow, but the other three-quarters played really well, though they were not fast enough to beat a wonderful defence.

The New Zealanders were clearly rattled in the opening half till Donald scored the first try, which came after 35 minutes. Unfortunately the second half was spoilt by fog, which came on half-way through, and blotted out the players, but the teams and referee decided to go on to full-time. The injury to Orr-Ewing—a dislocated collar-bone—came early in the game. For some time afterwards the county forwards held their own, but the loss of such a good player was bound to be felt. After Donald's unconverted try, Cooke ran over after a clever dribble, and Nepia converted. A promising attack by Hants soon after the interval was held up, and then Cooke, taking advantage of a blunder by Coutts, dribbled through and scored for McGregor to convert. Nepia added a penalty goal and in a thick fog prevented the spectators from following the play Svenson and McGregor ran over the home line. Nepia placing a goal on the second occasion. Before the close White, of the "All Blacks," also dislocated his collar-bone. Result:—

New Zealand—3 goals (1 penalty) 3 tries (22 points).

Hampshire—Nil.

Teams:—

Hampshire—C. M. Evan-Thomas (Richmond); H. W. V. Stephenson (United Services), R. H. Hamilton-Wickes (Harlequins), J. A. S Coutts (The Army and London Scottish), W. H. Wood (United Services); C. A. Kershaw (Royal Naval College, Greenwich), D. MacDonald (London Scottish); F. W. Powlett (Royal Navy), T. G. Rennie (The Army and London Scottish), K. L. Herbert (The Army and London Scottish), W. G. Agnew (capt.) (United Services), Orr-Ewing (United Services), J. W. Forrest (United Services), J. S. Chick (Harlequins), J. A. Ross (The Army).

New Zealand—G. Nepia; K. S. Svenson, F. W. Lucas, A. Hart; N. P. McGregor, A. E. Cooke; J. Mill, J. H. Parker; Q. Donald, W. B. Irvine, M. Brownlie, L. H. Harvey, A. West, A. White, and L. F. Cupples.

A LESSON FROM OXFORD.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—It has been a real treat to watch the Oxford backs in their different matches. At the risk of seeming unpatriotic, one could rejoice in their not being overcome by any forward strength in the Trinity match. Your account of the match points out the moral. Can nothing be done to put our backs, as a team, on the level with great English teams? One is so tired of the usual Irish prayer, whenever a big match is coming off, that it will be so wet and the ground so heavy that there can be no chance for first-rate back play. It has always seemed to me a most unsporting wish. Should we not ask for a dry ground and no favour? Now we see, even from the lowest point of view, that it does not pay to neglect great back play. Again, hats off to Oxford.—Yours, etc.,

"LOVER OF THE GAME."

Dublin, December 17th, 1924.

BILLIARDS.

SMITH v. REECE.

Smith reduced Reece's lead considerably at yesterday afternoon's session of the match at Burroughes' Hall, and scored a total of 849 for an average of 56, against Reece's figures of 514 and 32. Smith's biggest breaks were 213, 109, and 106; and Reece's best were 192, 70, 40, and 36. Interval scores:—Reece, 13,148; Smith (in play), 12,346.

At night Smith again did the better, scoring 1,035 for an average of 57, Reece's figures being 270 and 15. Smith's chief breaks were 152, 165, 104, 139, 106 and 132, unfinished. Reece's only effort of note was 172. Closing scores:—Reece, 13,418; Smith (in play), 13,381.

NEWMAN v. INMAN.

In the Inman-Newman match at Liverpool yesterday, Inman had breaks of 142, 130, and 62, while Newman's best efforts were 260, 96, 82, and 59. Interval scores:—Inman (in play), 11,900; Newman, 10,694.

At night Inman's best efforts were 132 and 57, while Newman had runs of 354, 281, 60, and 119, unfinished. Closing scores:—Inman, 12,230; Newman (in play), 11,541.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Sefton Steeplechase, Newbury—Cross Hands. Berkshire Hurdle, Newbury—Cyrus. Gamecock Handicap Steeplechase, Kempton Park—Phano. Mortlake Handicap Hurdle, Hurst Park—Owen. Cheltenham engagements—Little Helios.

A COW'S CAREER.

SMASHES CYCLES, CHARGES TREE.

A strange story was unfolded at Winchcombe, Gloucestershire, County Court yesterday afternoon, when Frank Shouler, farmer, was sued by another farmer, named Weber, for damages for breach of warranty in respect of a cow.

According to the evidence, Shouler, who now resides near Bicester, sold his farm stock at Toddington, including the cow in question, which Shouler had bred himself and never had trouble with, but when being driven to Weber's farm the animal developed an extraordinary frenzy. It attacked its drover, charged a tree, behind which he had taken refuge, and caused two cyclists to dismount and to leave their cycles, which it promptly impaled on its horns before crashing down in the road.

The animal was tied to a roadside telegraph pole, and later carried to the farm on a float, where a veterinary surgeon declared the animal mad, and had her destroyed.

Judge Alan MacPherson awarded Weber £25 damages, with costs.

THE MONEY MARKET.

LOANS DEARER.

EXCHANGES DULL.

The Revenue returns show that the Government has repaid a further amount of Ways and Means Advances, which has helped to further curtail market resources, while there have been some calls on new issues, and also window-dressing operations by the banks. As a consequence money was not over-plentiful, and short loans were in demand at 3 to 3¼ p.c., weekly fixtures being renewed at 2¾ p.c. Discount business remained quiet, with bills rather offered. The fine three months' rate was firm at 3⅝ p.c., while four months' maturities hardened to 3¹¹⁄₁₆ p.c. and six to 3¹¹⁄₁₆ p.c. Second-hand Treasuries were quoted 3⅝ to 3⅝ p.c.

Bank Rate (Discount changed July 5, 1923), 4%

60 days (fine)		3⅝%			
3 months	3⅝	3⅝%	Trade	4	4½%
4 months	3⅝	3⅞%	"	4	4½%
6 months	4	3%	"	4½	5%
Loans to brokers day-to-day				3¼	3¾%
" for a week					2¾%
Deposit allowance:	Banks at call				2%
	Discount houses, at call				2%
	at notice				2¼%

Gold rose 1d. per oz. to 88s. 10d. Silver remained unchanged at 32⅞d. per oz. for spot and 32⅞d. per oz. for forward delivery.

Business remained quiet in the foreign exchange market yesterday, and the tendency was generally dull. French francs reacted to 87.65-87.75, Belgian francs being also weaker at 95.00-95.10. Lire remained at 108.80-108.90, and Dutch currency was firmer at 11.62½-11.63. Sterling on New York scarcely moved, being 4.68⅞-4.69¼ dollars, and Continental rates were generally steady. In the South American group Buenos Ayres was a little firmer at 45¹⁄₁₆-45¼, Rio being steady at 5¹¹⁄₁₆-5⅞. The following are closing quotations:—

—	December 17.		December 18.		Normal Rate
Alexandria	97⅞		97⅞		97½
Amsterdam	11.62½	11.63	11.62½	11.63½	12.10
B. Ayres	45¹⁄₁₆	45¼	44⅞	45⅛	47.58
Barcelona	33.41	33.43	33.35	33.38	25.22
Berlin	19.65	19.75	19.70	19.75	20.40
Bombay	1/6¹⁄₁₆	1/6¹⁄₁₆	1/6	1/6¹⁄₁₆	2/0
Brussels	95.00	95.10	94.50	94.55	25.22½
Calcutta	1/6¹⁄₁₆	1/6¹⁄₁₆	1/6	1/6⅛	2/0
Christiania	30.99	31.02	30.97	31.00	18.15
Copenhagen	26.66	26.65	26.78	26.82	18.15
Czecho-Slov	154½	155½	155	155½	—
Finland	186	186½	186	187	25.22½
Greece	256	262	256	262	25.22½
Hong Kong	2/3⅝	2/4⅛	2/4	2/4⅛	—
Hungary	340,000	350,000	340,000	350,000	—
Italy	108.80	108.90	108.80	108.85	25.22½
Lisbon	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	53⅜d.
Madrid	33.42	33.45	33.38	33.42	25.22½
Mexico	24⅝	25¼	2/1⅛	sellers.	24⁵⁄₈d.
Montreal	4.71¼	4.71¾	4.72	4.72½	4.86
Montevideo	49½	49⅞	49½	50	51d.
New York	4.68⅞	4.69¼	4.68¾	4.69¼	4.86
Paris	87.35	88.00	87.00	87.25	25.22
Poland	24.30	24.50	24.30	24.50	25.22½
Rio de Jan.	5⅞	5⅞	5¹¹⁄₁₆	5⅞	16d.
Roumania	9.22	9.26	9.25	9.30	—
Shanghai	3/2½	3/2¾	3/2½	3/2¾	—
Singapore	2/4⅛		2/4⅛		2/4⅛
Stockholm	17.40	17.42	17.40	17.42	18.15
Switzerland	24.22	24.25	24.22	24.24	25.22
Valparaiso	40.90		40.60		13.33
Vienna	330,000	335,000	328,000	335,000	—
Yokohama	1/7⅝	1/7½	1/7⅝	1/7½	4.5

RAILWAY AMALGAMATION.

COMPENSATION TO DIRECTORS.

An extraordinary meeting of the West Clare Railway Company, Limited, was held at the company's offices, Carlisle Building, D'Olier street, Dublin, yesterday. Dr. W. Lombard Murphy (Chairman) presided, and there was a large attendance of shareholders. In opening the proceedings, the Chairman referred to the position of the holders of baronial guaranteed shares consequent on the operation of the Railways Act, 1924, and told the meeting of the steps the board were taking to safeguard the interests of the proprietors before the Railway Tribunal, whose duty it will be to settle the terms upon which the company is to be absorbed by the Amalgamated Company. He then referred to the business proper for which the meeting had been called—viz., to consider the question of the compensation to be paid to the directors for loss by abolition of office. On the motion of Mr. M. J. McEnery, seconded by Mr. Thomas Lillis, and supported by several shareholders, a resolution was unanimously passed voting compensation to the directors for loss of office, the total amount voted as compensation being £1,524 12s., to be divided among eight directors. The basis of calculation was the amount of five years' fees actually earned in respect of attendances at meetings. A resolution of thanks to the directors for services rendered in the past was proposed by Mr. J. A. O'Connell and carried unanimously.

Similar resolutions were passed unanimously at meetings of the South Clare Railways Company and of the Athenry and Tuam Extension to Claremorris Railway Company, the amount in the former case being £1,079 8s., to be divided among eight directors, and in the latter case £615, to be divided among seven directors, the basis in each case being the same as for the West Clare Company.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Wind and Weather—W.S.W. wind, light breeze; fine.

Coastwise Arrivals—Ss. Slieve Bawn, ss. Slieve Donard, from Holyhead, with goods; ss. Dungeness, from Belfast, with goods; ss. Puma, from Glasgow, with goods; ss. Brier, from Heysham, with goods; ss. Lady Limerick, ss. Lady Kildare, from Liverpool, with goods; ss. Gem, ss. Olivine, ss. River Humber, from Newport, with coals; ss. Pandora, ss. Alyn, ss. Zillah, from Garston, with coals; ss. Glenageary, from Partington, with coals; ss. Redesmere, from Barry, with coals; ss. Achill, from Ardrossan, with coals.

Foreign Departure—Ss. Fair Head, of Belfast, 663 tons register, Captain Cole, for Belfast, with part cargo (general).

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HOCKEY.

DRAW FOR SENIOR AND JUNIOR CUPS.

The draw for the Senior and Junior Cups was held yesterday evening, and resulted as follows:—

THE SENIOR CUP.

ULSTER.

January 10—(A) Holywood v. Cliftonville.
January 24—(B) Ballycastle v. Queen's University; (C) Lisnagarvey v. winner of A; (D) E. Antrim v. Antrim; (E) Banbridge v. N. Down.
February 14—(F) Winner of C v. winner of E; (G) winner of B v. winner of D.
February 28—(H) Winner of F v. winner of G.

LEINSTER.

January 10—(J) Pembroke Wanderers v. Three Rock Rovers; (K) Kingstown G.S. v. Monkstown; (L) Dublin University v. Fairview.
January 24—(M) Winner of J v. winner of L; (N) winner of K v. Railway Union.
February 14—(O) Winner of N v. winner of M.

MUNSTER.

January 24—(P) Catholic Institute v. Limerick P.Y.M.A.; (Q) I.C.I.C.Y.M.A. (Cork) v. Dunmanway.
February 14—(R) Winner of P v. winner of Q.
March 13—Semi-finals—Winner of Ulster v. winner of Leinster; winner of Munster a bye.
March 14—Final.

THE JUNIOR CUP.

ULSTER.

January 3—(A) Killyleagh v. Belmont; (B) Antrim 2nd v. Kinsdor; (C) Knock v. Holywood 2nd; (D) Down v. Ballynahinch.
January 17—(E) Winner of D v. C.P.A.; (F) winner of A v. Lisnagarvey 2nd; (G) winner of C v. winner of B; (H) E. Antrim 2nd v. Banbridge 2nd.
February 17—(J) Winner of F v. winner of G; (K) winner of E v. winner of H.
February 21—(L) Winner of J v. winner of K.

LEINSTER (DUBLIN DISTRICT).

January 3—(M) Y.M.C.A. v. Railway 2nd.
January 17—(N) Dublin University 2nd v. Monkstown 2nd; (O) Kingstown G.S. 2nd v. winner of M; (P) Three Rock Rovers 2nd v. National Bank; (Q) Pembroke Wanderers 2nd v. Portrane.
January 31—(R) Winner of O v. winner of Q; (S) winner of P v. winner of N.
February 21—(T) Winner of S v. winner of R.

MIDLANDS (EAST).

January 3—(U) Edenderry v. Trim.
January 17—(V) Winner of U v. Maryborough; (W) Portarlington v. Athy.
February 6—(X) Winner of V v. winner of W.

MIDLANDS (WEST).

January 3—(Y) Longford v. Athlone; (Z) Tullamore v. Moate.
January 17—(AA) Winner of Y v. winner of Z.
February 21—(BB) Winner of AA v. winner of X.

MUNSTER.

January 3—(CC) Ennis v. Limerick P.Y.M.A. 2nd.
March 6—Semi-finals—Winner of Munster v. winner of Midlands; winner of Ulster v. winner of Leinster.
March 7—Final.

The semi-finals and final of both events will be played in Dublin.

LADIES' SCHOOLS' LEAGUE.

The Ladies' Schools' League table is as follow:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.	F.	A.
Muckross	6	6	—	—	12	35	3
Wesley 1st	5	4	1	—	8	20	10
Bertrand	6	3	2	1	7	18	11
Sion Externs	6	3	2	1	7	14	11
Wesley 2nd	4	1	3	—	2	4	27
St. Mary's	4	1	3	—	2	3	16
St. Margaret's	5	—	5	—	—	1	18

Maids of the Mountain—General practice to-day at Foxrock, 2.30 o'clock.

The illness of M. Branting, the Swedish Premier, is reported to be serious.

SELECTIONS FOR WINDSOR MEETING TO-DAY.

PAPER.	1.0 RACE.	1.30 RACE.	2.0 RACE.	2.30 RACE.	3.0 RACE.	3.30 RACE.
Irish Times	Argentine.	Mask Man.	Cylvida.	Chartered.	Animated.	H. Brown's selected.
S. Life and Sportsman	Argentine.	Fitzpicton.	Head Master.*	Saxham Prince.	May King.	Priority.
Man on the Spot	General Post.	Fitzpicton.	Head Master.*	Saxham Prince.	Antimagic.	Lightfoot.
Westminster Gazette	General Post.	Fitzpicton; if ab., Helmet.	Tullygorey.	Saxham Prince.	Moseley.	Lukeston.
Daily News	General Post.	Helmet.	Head Master.	Saxham Prince.*	May King.	Lukeston.
Daily Express	General Post; if ab., Argentine.	Fitzpicton.*	Arduous; if ab., Cylvida.	Saxham Prince; if ab., Chartered.	Pizarro, next best.	Lukeston; if ab., Priority.
Daily Mirror	General Post.	Helmet.	Head Master.	Saxham Prince.	Dark David.	Lee Bridge.
Daily Graphic	Tutankhamen.	Golden Victory.	Cylvida.*	Chartered.	May King.	Priority.
Star	Argentine.	Helmet.	Ranter.	Saxham Prince.*	Gold Willow.	Lukeston.
Evening News	General Post.	Fitzpicton.	Arduous.*	Saxham Prince.	Alopex.	Lukeston.*
Evening Standard	General Post.	Fitzpicton.	Head Master.	Saxham Prince.	Agincourt.	Priority.
Daily Mail	General Post.	Fitzpicton.	Head Master.	Saxham Prince.	Dark David.	Priority.
Times	General Post.	Golden Victory.	Head Master.	Saxham Prince.	May King.	Lukeston.

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SAVING THE LAPWING.

FARMER'S FRIEND IN PERIL.

The demand on the London market for the eggs of the lapwing is alleged to be causing a serious diminution in the numbers of this bird in Peeblesshire. The lapwing is the inveterate enemy of the wireworm, an agricultural pest, and farmers are greatly concerned lest the process of extinction should continue.

The position was discussed by Peebles County Council on Tuesday, and they decided to include an order in the bye-laws dealing with the protection of wild birds, making it a punishable offence to shoot the lapwing or take its eggs all the year round.

It was stated in the discussions that Londoners paid from sixpence to one shilling per egg.

TIPPERARY ROADS.

SURVEYOR'S APPLICATION FOR INCREASE OF SALARY.

At the meeting of the Tipperary County Council yesterday, Mr. J. Meade, County Surveyor, applied for an increase of salary from £600 to £850. He said that his work had greatly increased in the matters of bridge repairs and road maintenance. The reduced cost of steam-rolling was £600 per mile—half the recognised cost.

Complaints were made at the meeting of the state of the roads in certain districts.

Mr. Meade said that his plant was altogether too small; he had only seven rollers, and more should be procured if the work was to be carried out. The application was adjourned to next meeting.

The Council decided to ask the Government for £8,100, which they estimated as their share of the grant for unemployment, the amount to be used for road work.

BUILDING.

In our building pages published to-day will be found a report by the Dublin County Surveyor on modern road traffic, construction and cost. The report sets forth the need of roads throughout the country, built on modern lines, so as to withstand the demands of modern traffic. The following are referred to on the building pages in this issue:—

Art Metal.	Engineering.	R. W. Fittings.
Air Compressors.	Expanded Metal.	Sanitary Goods.
Bank Fittings.	Flooring.	Screws.
Board.	French Cement.	Screens.
Boilers.	Galvanised Iron.	Sheetrock.
Boreholes.	Gas Fittings.	Shop Fittings.
Building.	Gas Engines.	Skylights.
Builders' Providers.	Heating.	Slates.
	Hinges.	Softwoods.
Building Sites	Hardwoods.	Steel Joists.
Castings.	Hydrants.	Stone
Cast Iron Work.	Ironwork.	Machinery.
Cement.	Locks.	Surface Boxes.
Clay Goods.	Machinery.	Tarmacadam
Columns.	Machinery Repairs.	Mixers.
Concreting.		Timber.
Concrete Mixers.	Manhole Covers.	Traction Engines.
Contracting.	Nails	
Cranes.	Office Fittings.	Valves.
Creosoting Plant.	Oil Engines.	Wagons.
Decorative Plaster.	Oxide of Zinc.	Wells.
	Partitions.	Woodworking Machinery.
Drainage Goods	Plant.	
Electrical Plant.	Plastering.	
Engines.	Plumbing.	

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FINANCIAL

IRISH STO[CK] EXCHANGES

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BUSINESS DONE AT ALL [...]

Transactions for cash mark[et ...]

National Loan.(92½) 92⅞		Do. Pre[f.]
Compensation Stock (90) 90		Do. Deb[s.]
		Dublin T[...]
5% War Ln.(101½) 101¹⁄₁₆		Parent O[...]
Conver. Loan.(78½) *78⅞		Do. Pref[...]
Guar. Land......(56) 57b		Dunlops [...]
2¾% Land '23...(59) 59½		Henry St[...]
3% Land '39..(64⅛) 64¹⁄₁₆		
National Bank.(20¼) 20⅞		Todd Bur[ns]
Dublin Distillers (27/10½) 27/6		Brad. Dy[ers]
Do. Pref.....(79/3) 79/6		Coats [...]
		Cottons [...]
Guinness...(49⅞) 49⅞c ⅞ ¼ ⅛		Courtauld[s]
Do. Pref.....(11⅛) 11⅛		Do. Pref[...]
Power Pref.(19/4½) *19/-		Denny P[...]
Marconi ....(31/-) 31/-		Imp. Tob[...]
Do. Canada...5/9 5/10½		Lever 8% [...]
Radio Common 9¼		Vickers [...]
Do. Pref. ....10¹⁄₁₆		Chartered[...]
D.S.E. Ord......(18½) 18		Irish-Ame[...]
G.N. Pref......(57½) 56½		
Do. Deb..........(71) 71		Hibernia[n ...]
G.S. Ord......(38) 38 *7⅞		Mex. Ea[...]
		Shells [...]

* Odd lot. b bid. a ask[ed ...]

(Last business done given in [...])

IRISH BANKS' RA[TES.]

Discount .... 5 p.c. 5[...]
Deposit .... 2 p.c. 5[...]

STOCK EXCHANGE SETT[LEMENTS]

Mining contango day........
General contango day........
Ticket day ....
Account day .... D[...]

BELFAST.

Business on Belfast Excha[nge ...] was upon a small scale, but p[rices ...] remained steady. War Loan [...] at 101½, 101⅜, 101¹⁄₁₆ and 10[...] Conversion Loan at 78⅞ and [...] shares the market remained [...] transactions were recorded. P[...] bid for at 22 without busines[s ...] Corporation stocks Belfast Wa[ter ...] was done at 60 ex div. In [...] transaction in J. and P. Coa[ts ...] on the 16th inst was marked. [...] Pref. brought 20s. 10½d. M'C[...] and Orr Pref. 10s., Lever Bro[s. ...] at 21s. 9d., and Robinson an[d ...] at 71. In Railway stocks a[...] County Down Railway 5 p.c[...] on the 16th inst., was record[ed ...]

DIVIDENDS AND [...]

IRISH CIVIL SERVICE PERM[ANENT BUILD]ING SOCIETY.—5 per cent. per [...] of 2/6 per share (together 15/- [...] of tax; £1,000 to reserve, £1,[...] securities, and £664 forward. [...] reserve allocation were the same [...] £1,305 was available for deprec[iation ...] securities, and £693 carried forw[ard.]

BRADBURY GREATOREX [...] dividend on First Pref. Shares at [...] cent. per annum.

CARONI SUGAR ESTATES.—[...] year ending 31st December, 1924 [...] Half per Cent. Cumulative Prefe[rence ...]

C. AND E. MORTON.—Divide[nd ...] 6 per cent. per annum on Cum. [...] Shares for half-year.

IMPERIAL BANK OF PERS[IA ...] dend 4/- per share, free of tax.

INTERNATIONAL LIGHT A[...] Dividend of 4½ per cent. on Pr[ef. ...] account of arrears for nine mo[nths ...] 31, 1923.

MIDDLE WEST UTILITIES [...] per cent. on Pref. Stock for th[...]

STOLL PICTURE THEATRE.[...] the rate of 10 per cent. per an[num ...] the half-year ended 3rd Novemb[er ...] interim payment, makes 8¼ per [...] compared with 10 per cent. pai[d ...]

THE STANDARD MOTOR [...] port of the directors for the [...] August shows a profit of £144,[...] recommended that a dividend at [...] cent. (less income tax) should [...] forward £109,644 0/8.

WELLMAN SMITH OWEN [...] Interim dividend 5 per cent.

WYMAN AND SONS.—Interi[m ...] 7½ per cent., less tax.

COMPANY NO[TICES]

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

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BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.
Transactions for cash marked "c."

National Loan.(92⅞)	92⅞	Do. Pref.......(51)	50¼
Compensation Stock (90)	90	Do. Deb.......(69½)	*69
5% War Ln.(101⅛)	101⅛	Dublin Trams...(6)	6⅛
Conver. Loan.(78¼)	*78⅜	Parent Ord.(22/10½)	22/6
Guar. Land......(56)	57b	Do. Pref.(15/3)	15/1½-/3
2¾% Land '23...(59)	59½	Dunlops ....(9/9)	9/9
3% Land '39..(64⅛)	64⅛	Henry Street (11/1½)	11/-
National Bank.(20¼)	20⅜	Todd Burns..(11/-)	11/1½
Dublin Distillers (27/10½)	27/6	Brad. Dyers..(84/3)	83/6
Do. Pref.......(79/3)	79/6	Coats ....(62/1½)	62/9
Guinness...(49⅞)	49⅞c	Cottons ....(60/3)	60/6
		Courtaulds 67/-c	7/1½ 7/- /3
Do. Pref.....(11½)	11⅛	Do. Pref.	18/9
Power Pref.(19/4½)	*19/-	Denny Pref.......(8½)	8¼
Marconi ....(31/-)	31/-	Imp. Tob.......(85/3)	85/-
Do. Canada...5/9	5/10½	Lever 8% ...(21/7½)	21/9
Radio Common	9⅛	Vickers ....(12/-)	11/6
Do. Pref.	10⅛	Chartered ....(17/1½)	16/9
D.S.E. Ord.......(18⅜)	18	Irish-American Oil (19/-)	19/6
G.N. Pref.........(57⅜)	56⅜		
Do. Deb..........(71)	71	Hibernian Fire.(4/9)	*4/9
G.S. Ord.........(38)	38 *7⅞	Mex. Eagle Ord......15/7½	
		Shells	85/-

* Odd lot. b bid. a asked.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Discount .... 5 p.c. 5th July, 1923.
Deposit .... 2 p.c. 5th July, 1923.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day		Jan. 5
General contango day		Jan. 6
Ticket day		Jan. 7
Account day	Dec. 18	Jan. 8

BELFAST.

Business on Belfast Exchange yesterday was upon a small scale, but prices generally remained steady. War Loan changed hands at 101½, 101⅜, 101⅛ and 101⅛. 3½ p.c. Conversion Loan at 78⅞ and 79. In bank shares the market remained idle, and no transactions were recorded. Provincials were bid for at 22 without business resulting. In Corporation stocks Belfast Water Board 3 p.c. was done at 60 ex div. In Industrials, a transaction in J. and P. Coates at 62s. 3d. on the 16th inst was marked. Linen Thread Pref. brought 20s. 10½d. M'Caw, Stevenson and Orr Pref. 10s., Lever Bros. 7 p.c. Pref. at 21s. 9d., and Robinson and Cleaver Deb. at 71. In Railway stocks a transaction in County Down Railway 5 p.c. Pref., at 85 on the 16th inst., was recorded.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

IRISH CIVIL SERVICE PERMANENT BUILDING SOCIETY.—5 per cent. per annum and bonus of 2/6 per share (together 15/- a share), both free of tax; £1,000 to reserve, £1,560 off mortgaged securities, and £664 forward. The dividend and reserve allocation were the same a year ago, when £1,505 was available for depreciation in mortgage securities, and £693 carried forward.

BRADBURY GREATOREX AND CO.—Final dividend on First Pref. Shares at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum.

CARONI SUGAR ESTATES.—Dividend for half-year ending 31st December, 1924, on Seven and a Half per Cent. Cumulative Preference Shares.

C. AND E. MORTON.—Dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum on Cum. Participating Pref. Shares for half-year.

IMPERIAL BANK OF PERSIA.—Interim dividend 4/- per share, free of tax.

INTERNATIONAL LIGHT AND POWER CO.—Dividend of 4½ per cent. on Preference Shares on account of arrears for nine months to December 31, 1923.

MIDDLE WEST UTILITIES.—Dividend of 1¾ per cent. on Pref. Stock for three months.

STOLL PICTURE THEATRE.—Final dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, less tax, for the half-year ended 3rd November. This, with the interim payment, makes 8½ per cent. for the year, compared with 10 per cent. paid for 1922-23.

THE STANDARD MOTOR CO., LTD.—The report of the directors for the year ending 31st August shows a profit of £144,064 14/7, and it is recommended that a dividend at the rate of 15 per cent. (less income tax) should be paid, carrying forward £109,644 0/8.

WELLMAN SMITH OWEN ENGINEERING.—Interim dividend 5 per cent.

WYMAN AND SONS.—Interim Ord. dividend of 7½ per cent., less tax.

COMPANY NOTICES.

NOBEL INDUSTRIES, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Transfer Books for the ORDINARY Shares will be Closed from the 24th DECEMBER, 1924, to the 7th JANUARY, 1925, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
J. C. STAMP, Secretary.
Nobel House, Buckingham Gate, London, S.W. 1,
17th December, 1924.

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LONDON STOCKS QUIET

LOWER PRICES THE RULE.

The London Stock Markets were extremely quiet yesterday, while a weaker tendency was manifest. Business was very small, and, where changes were marked, lower prices were the rule. There were a few bright spots, however, Peruvian Pref. being in good demand, while a heavy business was put through in Courtaulds, and in both cases the final quotation was appreciably higher.

We are informed that the subscription list for the Eleven Million Dollar Greek 7 per cent. Loan was opened in New York yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, and was immediately closed, having been many times over-subscribed.

A slightly weaker tendency was noticeable in British Funds, and prices were lower where changed. Among War Loans, the 3½ p.c., at 97, and the 4 p.c., at 101, were both ⅛ down on the day. Conversions were steady at previous levels. 5½ p.c. Treasury Bonds slipped back and finished ⅛ lower at 103⅜. India also lost the turn, the 3 p.c. and the 3½ both dropping ⅛ to 57 x.d. and 66 x.d., respectively. Greek 7 p.c. Loan opened at 6⅛, and, with a good demand forthcoming, improved at one time and were marked at 6⅞. They dropped back towards the finish, however, the final quotation being 6½ prem. Colonial Government scrips were slightly better. South Africa 5 p.c. gained ⅛ to 71⅞, while Australia 4½ p.c. made good part of their discount, being ⅛ higher at 35⅜. Sudan 4 p.c. were quiet and unaltered. Queensland 5 p.c. were quoted at 62½. Radio Corp. Common put on ⅛ to 9⅜. Breweries were steady, and, with the exception of Watney, Coombe Def., which gained 4 points to 216½, no alteration was recorded. Newspaper descriptions were good. Associated Def. put on ⅛ to 6½, while *Mirror* Ord., at 6⅜, were ⅛ to the good. *Sunday Pictorial* Ord. finished 6d. better at 85s. 3d. British American Tobacco lost 1s. to 108s., while Imperials were repeated.

FOREIGN BONDS LOWER.

Foreign Government Stocks were quiet, but a slightly weaker tone was noticeable. Chinese 5 p.c., 1896, shed a point to 92, while the 4½, 1898, at 79, and the 5 p.c. Funding, 1914, at 66, were also both a point lower. Brazilian Funding, 1898, lost a point to 84. Peruvian Prefs. were wanted, the final quotation being ½ better at 40½. Portuguese 3 p.c. also marked an improvement of ½ to 27.

BRITISH RAILS IRREGULAR.

An irregular tendency was manifest in Home Rails, and price alterations were lower on balance. Undergrounds were a bright spot, the Ord. putting on ⅛ to 3⅛, while the Debs. and the Income Bonds were both firm at overnight levels. Southern Pref. Ord. gained ½ to 84½. Great Western, on the other hand, lost ½ to 108, while Midlands at 100, were also ½ down. North-Eastern 5 p.c. Pref. Ord. remained at 83, but the Def. Ord. fell ½ to 30. Metropolitans were steady and unaltered.

FOREIGN RAILS DULL.

Colonial and Foreign Rails were dull. Canadian Pacifics dropped a point to 161 x.d. Bahia Blanca Guar. Stock, at 84, were ½ lower. With the exception of the Western, which shed ½ to 76, Buenos Ayres issues were repeated. Entre Rios 6 p.c. Cum. Pref., at 82, were ½ down, while the Ord. were maintained at 25. Mexican Rails were weak; the Ord. lost ½ to 8, while the 8 p.c. Pref., at 28, were a point down. Leopoldina, at 29, were ½ lower.

OIL SHARES WEAKER.

An irregular tendency again characterised the Oil share market yesterday, interest being confined to a few specialities, among which a weak feature existed in Mexican Eagles, following the publication of the interim report; while, on the other hand, firmness was displayed by Venezuelan issues. Among the recognised leaders, the weakness of Mexican Eagles was attributable to the statements contained in the half-yearly statement, from which it would appear that there is a possibility that the consideration of the payment of the next dividend on the First Pref. may be postponed until June, which renders the dividend outlook for the Ord. shares and the 8 p.c. Pref. shares very uncertain, unless some new field is opened up. The weakness of these shares had a depressing influence upon other leading issues, among which lower prices were general, although as a rule the losses were out of proportion to the actual sales. This was particularly the case in regard to Shells and Royal Dutch, both of which, however, closed with a steady appearance at the lower levels. Anglo-Persians and Burmahs weakened slightly, but a recovery was marked in Anglo-American. As regards Venezuelans, an active business was transacted in British Controlled, the shares meeting with a keen demand as a result of the appreciation of the importance of the latest completions, bearing in mind the pending completion of the new six-inch pipe line. Although finishing below the best, the Common and Pref. shares registered improvements. V.O.C. Holdings also met with support, following the announcement of the bringing into production of Well R. 13, flowing 160 tons in sixteen hours. An appreciable rally occurred in Lobitos, while Anglo-Ecuadorians strengthened in sympathy. The rumours of negotiations, having for their object the taking over of the properties of the London and Thames Haven oil wharfes by the Port of London Authority, were again in circulation and the shares further advanced.

RUBBER SHARES IRREGULAR.

An irregular tendency characterised the Rubber share market yesterday. Business was on the small side and price changes were for the most part narrow. A number of issues finished the day slightly higher than the overnight level, but the majority of alterations were in the downward direction. The price of rubber rose to 18⅜d. per lb.

TEA SHARES STRONG.

The amount of business transacted in the Tea market yesterday showed a distinct improvement on the volume of dealings put through on the previous day. A strong tone was again in evidence, and, where price changes were marked, higher levels were, with few exceptions, recorded. Most of the recognised leaders were in good request, while a number of speculative issues were also wanted. Consolidated Tea and Lands were an exceptionally strong spot. Dealings commenced at about 86 and further improved. A number of shares came on the market later, however, and the price was consequently lowered. They hardened towards the finish and closed firmly at 85⅜, an increase of 1¼ points on the day. Amalgamated Estates were firm, the final quotations being 1⅞ higher on the day at 49⅞. Assam Dooars at 60½, Assam Frontier at 8⅜, and Borhella at 31, were all higher appreciably better. Eastern Produce were another good spot, and here an improvement of 2s. 4½d. was registered, the closing figure being 85s. 4½d. Doom Dooma put on ½, while Eastern Assam at 85s. 9d. were 1s. 3d. to the good. Jokai and Jorehaut were both wanted and at the close higher prices were marked, the former gaining 1s. 3d., while the latter marked an increase of 9d. on the day's business. A few issues lost the turn, but the differences were small and of little consequence.

INDUSTRIALS FIRM.

Speaking generally, the Miscellaneous and Industrial markets yesterday maintained a firm tone and there was quite a fair business passing. Courtaulds again provided the feature of the Textile market, for despite some profit-taking at the opening, which caused them to slip back to 66s. 6d., fresh support was forthcoming at this level, and a recovery was witnessed. On balance they finished 1s. 6d. higher at 68s. 6d., or the highest of the year. Celanese came a trifle easier at 8s. Bradford Dyers came on offer and fell 9d. to 85s. 9d., while Dyestuffs and the Prefs. weakened to 6s. 6d. and 12s. 3d. respectively. Coats stiffened to 63s. x.d. and Amalgamated Cottons to 11s. Stores descriptions were firmer, but Electrical issues were rather uncertain. Except for Canadas, which shed 3d. to 5s. 6d., the Marconi group kept steady. In Motors, Rolls Royce continued a dull market and further weakened to 28s., but Dennis Bros. were a firm spot at 39s. x.d. In the Miscellaneous trading list, Salt Unions found good support and rose 1s. to 27s. 6d. Swedish Match issues continued in request, the "A" shares gaining another ⅛ at 10¼, while the "B" shares rose to 9⅞, or ⅛ higher. James Finlays, after opening a firm market at 81s. 6d., came on offer and weakened to 80s. 6d. Before the close, however, a fresh demand sprang up which raised the price to 82s., at which they finished 6d. better. Dunlops were wanted and recovered an early set-back, finishing at 10s. 6d. Once again Royal Exchange Assurance provided a feature, for in response to a further demand they finished 25 up at 675. Elsewhere in the Insurance list General Accidents put on ⅛ to 9⅜. In the Banking section, National Provincial £4 closed fractionally better at 11⅞, but Midlands lost ⅛ at 8⅛, as did also Barclays "A" at 8⅛, while the "B" shares of the latter eased to 57s.

In Iron, Coal and Steels a harder tendency was in evidence. Armstrongs recovered to 14s. 9d. and the Third Prefs. to 16s., while slight improvements occurred in B.S.A. at 13s. 6d., in Bolckow Vaughans at 7s. 9d., and in Dorman Longs at 12s. 9d. In the Brewery list, renewed support for Watney Def. raised the price 4 to 216½, and Bieckerts put on 1 to 174½. City of London eased to 68s. Among Whiskey shares, Buchanan hardened to 69s. 3d. Except for Gordon Hotels Pref., which eased to 14s. 6d., Hotels held their ground. In Foodstuffs, Nestle Pref. were inquired for at round 24s. 3d. and Nelson Bros. rose ⅛ to 2⅛, but Bovril Def. suffered from realisations, falling 6d. to 48s. Tobaccos exhibited hesitancy. Godfrey Phillips relapsed to 1⅜ and B.A.T.'s and Canadas both fell 6d. to 108s. 6d. and 26s. respectively. Cope Bros. weakened to 67s. 3d. and Albert Bakers to 31s. 9d. United South and the Def., however, both closed 6d. better, the former at 85s. and the latter at 84s.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols	57-58*	4½% Conv. Ln.	98⅞-97⅞
War Ln. 3½%	96⅞-97⅛ − ⅛	5% Treas. Bds.	103⅛-103⅝ − ⅛
do. 4½%	97-97⅛	Irish Land 2¾%	55-57*
do. 5%	101⅛-101⅜	India 3%	56⅞-57⅞ − ⅛
do. 4% (Tax Free)	100⅞-101⅛ − ⅛	do. 3½%	65-66* − ⅛
		do. 5½%	101-102
Fund'g L'n	88-88½	do. 7%	105-107
Victory Bds.	92-93½	Local Lns.	60-66½*
2½% Cons. Ln.	78½-79½	Sudan 5½%	106-108

BANKS.

Anglo S. Amer 7⅛-8		Hong Kong	140-142
Australasia	13⅜-14⅛	Lloyds	60-61½
Bank N.S.W.	39-40	Midland	8⅜-8⅛
Do. N.S.	3-3⅛	Nat. Dis. B.	[illegible]
Barclays A	8⅛-8⅜	Nat. Provl. £4	11⅛-11⅞
Brit. F. Trade	[illegible]	Royal of Can.	48-51
Do. Overseas	5⅛-5⅜	Stand. S.A.	11⅛-12
Can. of Com.	42-43	Un. Australia	14⅛-14⅞
Char. of India	20⅛-21	Westminster	17½-18½ − ⅛

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Alberta 4½ 1943	92-95	Q'sland 4, 1940-50	86-88
Aust. Cons. 5%	100-102	do. 4½, 1920-5	100-101
do. 4½	106-107	do. 6% 1930-40	106-107
Brit. Col. 4½ 1941	92-95	S. Africa 4% Cns	90-92
Canada 4%	91-93	do. 6%	104-106
do. 4½ 1930-5	99½-100	S.A'stral'a, '40-60	85-87
Cape 3½ Cons.	80-82	do. 5¼%	100-102
Ceylon 6%	107-109	do. 6%	107-109
Natal 3½ '14	82-84	do. 5% 1932-42	100-102
N.S.W. 4½ '33-7	97-99*	Victoria 4, '40-60	85-86
do. 5½ 1922-7	99-101	do. 6½% 1923-8	106-7
do. 5½% 1922-32	100-101	W.Aus.4% '42-62	85-87*
do. 6½% 1930-40	107-109	do. 5½% 1930-40	101-103
N. Zeal'd 4, '29	95-6*	do. 5% 1935-45	100-102
Nigeria 6%	113-115*	do. 6% 1930-40	102-4*

FOREIGN BONDS.

M.U. Dec. 16.				
101½	Argentine, 1886	100¾	102¾	
77½	Do. 4 p.c. Rescissions	77	79	
82	Do. 5 p.c. 1909	81	83	
42½	Brazil 4 p.c. 1889	42	44	
84	Do. Funding, 1898	83	85	−1
72½	Do. 5 p.c. 1914	72	74	
93	Chinese 5 p.c. 1896	91	93	−1
80½	Do. 4½ p.c. 1898	78	80	−1
68	Do. 5 p.c. 1912	65	67	−1
18	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]	
88½	Egyptian Unified	86	87	
23½	French Loan	20	21	
16	Do. 4 p.c.	15½	16½*	
1⅞	German 3 p.c.	1⅛	1⅞	
19½	Italian Rentes	18½	19½	
80	Japan 4 p.c. 1905	80	81	
79½	Do. New 5 p.c. 1907	79	80	
93	Do. 6 p.c. 1924	91½	92¾	
43	Mexican 5 p.c. '99	40	50	
54	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas.	45	50	
4½	Peruvian Corporation	4⅛	4⅜	
40	Do. Pref.	40	41	+ ½
98½	Do. Deb.	99	101	
26½	Portuguese 3 p.c.	26	28	+ ½
107½	San Paulo 8 p.c.	106	108	
66	Spanish 4 p.c.	66	67	
81	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	80½	81½	

BRITISH RAILS.

109	Great Western	107½	108½	− ½
100	Ldn. Mid. & Scot. Ord.	99½	100½	− ½
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	81	83	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red. Pref.	97	100	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	97	100	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref., 1923	80	82	
83	Ldn. North-East. 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	82½	83½	
30¾	Do. Def. Ord.	29½	30½	− ½
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	81	83	
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	80	82	
80¾	Metropolitan	81½	82½	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	99	102	
34½	Do. District	33	35	
84½	Southern Pref. Ord.	84	85	+ ½
44½	Do. Def. Ord.	43½	44½	
41	Do. "A"	41	42	
10	Do. "B"	9½	10½	
100	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	100	102	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pf. '64	99	101	
2⅞	Underground Electric	3	3⅛	+ ⅛
99½	Do. Income Bonds	99	101	
105	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	104	106	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

87¼	Antofagasta	86	88	
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	78	80	
—	Bahia Blanca	83	85	− ½
—	Brazil Railway Common	⅛	¼	
88½	Buenos Ayres Gt. S.	85½	87½	
80½	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	78½	80½	
76½	Buenos Ayres and W.	75	77	− ½
161½	Canadian Pacific	160	162*	−1
72½	Central Argentine	71½	72½	
13½	Central Uruguay	24	25	
—	Entre Rios	24	26	
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	81	83	− ½
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	81	83*	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	62	64	
—	Grand Trunk Pac. Deb.	67	70	
29½	Leopoldina	28	30	− ½
8½	Mexican Rails	7½	8½	− ½
29	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	27	29	−1
15	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	14	16	
—	Mexican Nat. 1st Pref.	5	6	
2½	Mexican Nat. 2nd Pref.	1	3	
159	San Paulo Ord.	158	162	
84½	United Havana	84	86	

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	175	178	
—	Baltimore	66	68	+2
—	Chesapeake	102	104	−1
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	17	18	−1
—	Erie	32	34	−1
34	Do. 1st Pref.	43	45	
—	New York, Ontario	23	25	
82¼	Southern Common	81	83	
—	Do. Pref.	73	75	
—	Southern Pacific	109	111*	−1
157¼	Union Pacific	158	160*	+1

TELEGRAPHS.

24⅛	Anglo-American Def.	24⅛	24⅝	
1⅛	Marconi Wireless Ord.	1⅛	1⅝	− ⅛
—	Do. Pref.	1⅛	1⅜	
—	Do. Debs.	101½	103½	
—	Do. Marine	1⅛	1⅜	
5/9	Do. Canada	5/4½	5/7½	−0/3
—	Oriental Telephone	1⅛	1⅜	
9⅜	Radio Corporation	9	9½	+ ⅛
10½	Do. Pref. (850)	10⅛	10⅝	

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

15/6	Allsopp £1 Shares	⅞	1⅛	
88½	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	87	89	
—	Bass, Ratcliff 5 p.c. Pref.	91	94	
46/6	Do. Ord.	2⅛	2⅜	
49⅞	Guinness	49⅛	50⅛	
—	Do. Pref.	11⅛	12*	
—	Peter Walker Ord.	20/6	21/6	
20/3	South African Breweries	20/-	21/-	
21/6	Walker (John) Pref.	21/-	22/-	
211	Watney Combe Def.	214	219	+4

FOODSTUFFS AND STORES.

26/9	Aerated Bread	1⅜	1⅝	
48/9	Bovril Def.	2⅛	2⅜	
29/6	Lipton	1⅜	1⅝	
4⅛	Lyons (J.)	4⅛	4⅜	
—	Mackintosh (J.) Pref.	27/3	27/6	−0/4½
8/2	Maypole Def.	8/0	8/6	
—	Smithfield Arg. Meat	⅞	1⅛	
1⅝	Spratt's Patent	1⅝	1⅞*	
—	Union Cold Storage Pref.	1⅛	1⅜*	
24/4½	Van Den Berghs	1⅛	1⅜	
—	Do. Pref.	4⅞	5⅛*	

IRON AND STEEL.

14/6	Armstrong (W. G.)	14/0	15/0	
13/0	Cammell Laird	12/6	13/6	
12/6	Dorman Long	12/6	13/0	
—	Furness, Withy	25/0	27/0	
16/0	John Brown	15/6	16/6	
11/0	Do. (15/- paid)	10/6	11/6	
11/0	Pease and Partners	10/6	11/6	
31/3	South Durham Steel	2⅛	2⅜	
27/3	Siemens	1⅛	1⅜	
7/9	United Steel	7/3	8/3	
11/6	Vickers Ord.	11/0	12/0	
—	Weardale Iron C.P.O.	1⅜	1⅝*	

LAND.

—	Aboukir Land	18/0	19/0	
10/6	Argentine Northern Land	⅛	⅜	
20/0	Do. Southern Land	1⅛	1⅜*	
11/0	B.N.B. Land	⅜	⅝	
22/6	Forestal Land	1⅛	1⅜	
5⅜	Hudson's Bay Ord.	5⅛	5⅜	
15/6	Niger Pref.	⅞	1⅛	
11/9	Pekin Syndicate	⅝	⅞	− ⅛
27/6	Rio Negro Lands	1⅛	1⅜	

NEWSPAPERS.

6⅛	Asad. Newspapers Def.	6⅛	6⅜	+ ⅛
—	Daily Mail Deb.	106	108½	
6⅛	Daily Mirror Ord.	6⅛	6⅜	+ ⅛
4⅛	Sunday Pictorial Ord.	84/9	85/9	+0/6

NITRATES.

23¼	Alianza	23	24	
78/0	Anglo-Chilian Nitrate	76/0	78/0	−1/0
8⅛	Lautaro Nitrate	8⅛	9	
1⅛	Lagunas Nitrate	34/0	35/0	
76/0	Liverpool Nitrate	74/0	76/0*	−1/0
73/0	London Nitrate	72/6	75/0	
36/0	Rosario Nitrate	35/0	37/0	
39/0	Santa Rita Nitrate	38/0	40/0	
3⅛	Santiago Nitrate	3	3⅛	
16/6	Tarapaca Nitrate	16/0	17/0	

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS.

35/0	African and East. Trade	34/6	35/6	
3⅛	Anglo-Arg. Tram 1st Pf.	3	3⅛	
15/6	Associated Cement	15/0	16/0	
16/0	Do. Pref.	15/0	16/6	
41/0	Borax Con. Def.	2⅛	2⅜*	
26¼	Brazilian Traction	56	58	+ ½
29/0	British Portland Cement	28/0	29/0	
—	British Glass	1/3¾	1/5¾	
13/9	B.S.A.	13/0	14/0	
1⅛	British Oil and Cake	1⅛	1⅜	+ ⅛
90⅛	Brit. Col. Electric Rail.	89	91	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.	88	91*	
108/0	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	107/0	109/0	−1/0
39/3	Brunner Mond	38/6	39/0	−0/3
8/0	Bryant and May	2⅛	2⅜	
—	De la Rue Deb.	31⅛	31⅜	−1½
9/9	Dunlop Rubber	9/6	10/0	
109	Do. Deb.	108	110	
—	Do. Amer. Tire Deb.	103	106*	
—	English Electric	16/3	16/9	
—	Finlay (James)	4⅛	4⅜	
20/6	General Electric Ord.	20/6	21/0	
—	Do. Debs.	104	107	
—	Gramophone Ord.	1⅛	1⅜*	
85/0	Imperial Tobacco Ord.	84/6	85/6	
21/7½	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	21/3	22/3	
—	Lever 7 p.c. Debs.	107	109	
—	Lever 8 p.c. Debs.	99	101	+1
22	Mexican Trams	19	21	−1
—	Do. Bonds	70	74	
—	Do. L. and P. Bonds	36	38	
24/0	Nobel Ord.	24/3	25/3	
21/0	Do. Pref.	20/6	21/6	
—	Do. Def.	9/0	10/0	
44/4½	Parent Tyre Def.	2⅛	2⅜	
22/0	Do. Ord.	1⅛	1⅜	
34/3	Platt Bros. Ord.	1⅛	1⅜	
28/9	Rolls Royce	1⅜	1⅝*	
26/0	Salt Union	1⅜	1⅝	+ ⅛
—	San Paulo Tram Deb.	94	96*	+1
—	Shawinigan Water Debs.	108	112	
—	Tilling Ord.	1⅛	1⅜	
—	Do. 8½ p.c. Cum. Pref.	4⅛	4⅜	
—	United Alkali	1⅛	2	
22/0	Wallpaper Def.	22/0	23/0*	

SHIPPING.

14/0	Cargo Fleet	13/6	14/6	
—	Court Line	28/0	30/0	
—	Cunard Ord.	19/9	20/9	−0/6
—	Elder Dempster 6 p.c. Pf.	19/0	20/6	
—	P. and O. Def.	300	310	
—	Royal Mail Ord.	98	100*	

TEXTILES AND STORES.

11/1½	Amalgamated Cotton	10/6	11/6	+0/3
64/0	Bleachers	3⅛	3⅜	
83/0	Brad'ord Dyers	4⅛	4⅜	
8/0	British Celanese Ord.	8/7½	8/4½	+0/3
36/6	Calico Printers	1⅞	2⅛	
62/6	Coats	3⅛	3⅜*	
66/0	Courtaulds	3⅜	3⅝	+ ⅛
60/6	English Sewing Cotton	2⅞	3⅛	
35/0	Fine Spinners	1⅞	2⅛	
42/6	Harrods	2⅛	2⅜	
—	Linen Thread Ord.	2⅛	2⅜	
31/3	Lister Ord.	1⅛	1⅜	
—	Selfridge 6 p.c. Pref.	1⅛	1⅜	

OILS.

M.U. Dec. 16.				
1⅛	Agwi Petroleum	⅛	⅜	
3⅛	Anglo-American	3⅛	3⅜	+ ⅛
1⅛	Anglo-Ecuadorian	1⅛	1⅜*	+ ⅛
1⅛	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	1⅛	1⅜	
24/0	Anglo-Persian 1 p.c.	24/3	24/9	
23/6	Do. 9 p.c. 2nd Pref.	23/3	23/9	
3⅛	Do. Ord., issued 3½ p.c.	3⅛	3⅜	− ⅛
94⅛	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	94	96	
—	Apex Trinidad	[illegible]	[illegible]	
16/0	Attock	[illegible]	[illegible]	
10/0	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)	6/9	7/0	
3⅛	British Burmah (8/-)	[illegible]	[illegible]	
13/7	British Controlled	13/9	14/3	+0/1½
14/4½	Do. Pref.	13/9	14/9	+0/3
3⅛	Burmah	3⅛	3⅜	− ⅛
28/3	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	28/3	28/9	
2/0	Caltex	2/3	2/9	−0/1½
9/0	Dacia Romano	8/6	9/0	
—	Eagle Transport	4/0	4/6	
102	Do. 7 p.c. Notes	101	103	
103⅛	Do. Bearer	102	103	
8/0	General Pet. Trinidad A.	6/4½	6/10½	
14/0	Kern River (10/-)	14/1½	14/7½	+ ½
8⅛	Lobitos	8⅛	8⅜	+ ⅛
19/0	Mexican Eagle	15/0	16/0	−1/0
15/0	Do. Pref.	14/0	15/0	−1/0
14/4½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	13/4½	13/10½	−0/9
10/0	North Caucasian (10/-)	[illegible]	[illegible]	
3/0	Pera Syndicate	2/6	3/0	
19/0	Phoenix	18/7½	19/1½	−0/3
—	Rumanian Consolidated	11/9	12/3	
—	Royal Dutch	39⅛	39⅜	− ⅛
4⅛	Shell Transport	4⅛	4⅜	− ⅛
4⅛	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9⅛	9⅜	
25/1½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	24/10½	25/4½	
2/4½	Spies (10/-)	2/6	2/7½	
9/7½	Steaua Romana	9/9	10/1½	
6/3	Tankers Pref.	6/0	6/6	
—	Trinidad Central	⅞	1⅛	− ⅛
—	Trinidad Lease	3⅛	3⅜	
7⅛	United Brit. Trinidad	6/10½	7/4½	
3⅛	Ural Caspian	⅛	⅜	
2/3	Uros Oil	1/10½	2/4½	
2⅛	V.O.C. Holdings	2⅛	2⅜	+ ⅛
2⅛	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	2⅛	2⅜	+ ⅛

RUBBERS.

44/0	Anglo-Dutch	44/3	+0/7½
2/10½	Anglo-Java	2/10	
1⅛	Anglo-Malay	24/0	
4/6	Bertam Cons.	4/6	
3/8	Bukit Mertajam	3/10	
2/6	Bukit Sembawang	2/9	
10/6	Dangkil	10/10	
16/3	Damansara	16/6	+0/3
22/0	Grand Central	22/0	
1⅛	Highlands	28/0	
2/6	Kamuning	2/6	
4/3	Kepong	4/6	
1⅛	Kuala Lumpur	27/6	
1⅛	Labu	31/0	−0/10½
1⅛	Linggi	23/1½	−0/7½
3/10½	London Asiatic	3/10	
1⅛	Malacca	37/0	+1/0
3/6	Malayalam	3/9	
3/6	Merlimau	3/6	
1⅛	Moonby Valley	33/0	
2/7½	Port Dickson	2/6	
32/0	Rubber Trust	32/4½	−0/0½
14/3	Seafield	14/6	
1⅛	Sena-lyan	1⅛	
1⅛	Sialang	33/3	+1/0
20/0	Straits Rubber	20/3	+1/3
1⅛	Tali Ayer	1⅛	
1⅛	Tandjong	1⅛	
3/10½	Un. Serdang	3/10	
1⅛	United Sua Betong	2⅛	
13/9	Vallambrosa	13/9	

Ampas	4/3	+0/1		Membakut	18/1½	−0/6
Anglo-Sum.	30/6			N. Hummock	15/9	−/10½
Bah Lias	25/0			P.R.H.(C'yl'n)	26/9	
Batu Tiga	23/9	−1/3		Padang	21/0	
B.N.B.R.T.(a)	19/9			Pegoh	20/0	
Brieh	2/6			Pilmoor	12/0½	+0/0½
Bukit Ch.	12/6			Rim Malaca	2/6	
Bukit Rajah	22/6			Rub.E.Johore	21/0	−0/10½
Castlefield	4/10½			Sapong	42/3	
Chersonese	3/11½			Sapumalk'de	21/10½	
Ceerly	4/11½	−0/0½		Selangor	22/6	−0/4½
Eastern Trust	17/3			Serdang C'nt'l	28/9	+1/3
Gan. Ceylon	43/0	−0/4½		Seember Alam	1/10½	−0/1½
Gansbearie	26/0	−0/6		Sumatra Con.	22/9	
Glenshiel	15/3			Sungei Buaya	21/6	−0/9
Golden Hope	23/7½			Sungei Chah	21/9	
Java Amal.	12/6			Sungei Kapar	4/3	
Kapar Para	20/6			Sungei Kr. Pl.	30/3	
Kelantan	21/0	+1/0		Taiping	1⅞	
Kepitigalla	16/0			Tebrau	27/3	
Kombok	18/0			Telogoredjo	22/6	
Langkat Sum.	23/3			Tremelbye	46/0	
Lanadron	22/3	−1/3		Ulu Rantau	2/0	
Malacca Def.	27½			Un. Temiang	2/11	+0/0½
Mench'terN.B.	23/6			Yam Seng	[illegible]	

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Cum div.

TEAS.

Amal. Estates	49⅞	+1⅛		Doom Dooma	5⅛	+ ½
Anglo-Ceylon	53/10½	+0/3		E. I. & Ceylon	73/3	+0/3
Assam Co.	50/6	+0/6		E. Assam	85/9	+1/3
Assam Cons.	21/3	+0/3		East Produce	85/4½	+2/4½
Assam Front'r	8⅜	+ ⅛		Empire	22/6	
Assam Dooars	60½	+ ⅛		Galaha Ceylon	48/6	
Ass.T.E.Cy'ln	42/6			Imperial	20/6	−0/3
Attaree Khat	45/0			ImperialCeylon	[illegible]	
Baljian	30/10½			Jetinga Valley	[illegible]	
Bargang	61/6	+0/6		Jokai	27/6	+1/3
Borelli	5⅛	+ ⅛		Jhanzie	95/0	+0/6
Borhella	31	+ ⅛		Jorehaut	25⅜	+0/9
Boyalama	29/10½			Longai Valley	5⅜	
Brahmaputra	30⅛	+ ⅛		Lungla	50/9	
Brit. Assam	35⅛	+ ⅛		Lunuva	44/0	
Brit. Indian	97/3	+0/3		Lunuva new	4 dem	
Budla Beta	7⅞	+ ⅛		Majuli	6⅛	−0/9
Cachar&Do'ars	100/3*	+0/3		Moabund	6⅛	
Ceylon Plant.	11/6	+ 0/6		Nedeem	[illegible]	
Ceylon Prop.	54/3	−0/3		Newbyllot	[illegible]	
Chargola	37/7½	+0/3		Pandan	21/6	
Chubwa	5⅛			Peacock & Nil.	41/10½	−0/3
Chulsa	6⅛			Poonmudi	12/6	
Con.Tea & L.	85⅜	+1⅛		Rosehaugh Cey	48/6	+0/3
Darjeeling	41/6			Scot.Teal'dsland	6⅛	
Ditto Cons.	1⅛			Singlo	80/6	
Dejoo	97/7½			Tea Corpn.	90/6	+0/6
Deundi	21/0	+0/6		Travancore	5⅛	
Dimbula Valley	50/0	−1/0		U. Planters C.	74/3	−0/3
Dooars	46/3	+0/9		U. Assam	72/9	+1/4½
Doologram	58/6	+0/3				

*Ex dividend.

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON.—Alliance, 14⅛; do. New, 15⅛, ⅛; Commercial Union, 22⅜, ⅛; do. Deb., 103⅛; Consolidated Assurance, 40/9, 40/-; do. Ord., 3/3; Employers' Liability, 3/9, 3/6; 90/-; General Accident, 9⅜, ½, ⅛, 9, ⅛; do. Pref., 20/-; General Reinsurance, 4/0⅛, ⅛; Gresham Fire, 21/9; Guardian Assurance, 7⅛; London Associated Reinsurance, 7/4½, 6d., 3d., 7½d., 1½d.; London Assurance, 12⅜, 11⅞, ⅛, 12⅛; North British, 20¼; Northern Assurance, 16⅛, 17, 16⅞, 17⅛; Phoenix, 13⅛, ⅛; do. Pelican, 19⅛, ⅛; do. Prudential "A," 20⅛, ⅛; do. "B," 37/3; Royal Exchange, 662, ½, 66, 57, 68, 70; Scottish Union, 10⅛, ⅛; United British, 37/6; Victory Insurance, 4/3, 1½d.; Western Alliance Reinsurance, 13/6, 7½d., 1½d., 9d.; World Auxiliary, 24/10½; Yorkshire Insurance, 11⅛; Associated Reinsurers (10/- paid), 11/1½, 3d., 10/9; Caledonian Insurance (£1 paid), 15⅛; Standard Life Assurance, 16⅛; Trade Indemnity, 12⅛, ⅛, ⅛.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL.—Commercial Union, 22⅛, ⅛; Employers' Liability, 89/6; General Accident, 8⅜, ⅛, 9; Guardian Assurance, 7⅛, ⅛; London and Lancashire, 20; do. Law Union, 101; London Assurance, 12⅛; North British, 20⅛; Northern Assurance, 17⅛, 17; do. Pref., £17 3/6; Phoenix Pelican, 13⅛; Royal Exchange, 665; Royal Insurance, 30⅛, 1; Scottish Union, 10⅛; Sea Insurance, 3⅛; Yorkshire Insurance, 11⅛.

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

BIRMINGHAM.—Changes usually small, 1st Standards advanced strongly. Rovers, Singers, and Rolls Royce all easier. Dunlops spurted at the finish. Parent Def. relapsed. Austins, 6/4½; do. Debs., 99⅛; Bluemels, 37/6; Components, 3/6; S.T.D., 5/-; Enfields, 27/-; Humbers, 29/1½; Napiers, 24/3; do. Pref., 19/6; Rolls Royce, 28/6; Rovers, 11/4½; Singers, 33/6; Standards, 47/10½; Swifts, 9/-; Triumphs, 22/-; Dunlops, 10/3; Vauxhalls, 5/6; Parent Def., 43/-.

MANCHESTER.—Textiles steady, with a moderate business. Bleachers, 63/6-64/6; do. Pref., 22/-22/6; Calicos, 36/3-36/9; do. Pref., 18/3-18/6; Dyers, 83/6-84/6; do. Pref., 20/-20/6; Cottons, 60/-61/-; do. Pref., 19/9-20/-; Spinners, 55/6-56/-; do. Pref., 19/6-20/-; "Slubbers," 8/6-9/-; Coats, 62/6-63/-; Ship Canal, 8⅛-8⅜; do. Pref., 8⅛-8⅜; Velvets, 30/-30/6.

TRAFFICS.

London, Midland and Scottish Railway—Week to December 14, £1,440,000; increase £6,000. Nitrate Railways—Fortnight ended December 15, £42,251; increase £622.

Great Western Railway—Week to December 14, £654,000; decrease, £18,000. Southern Railway—Week to December 14, £397,000; increase, £1,500. London and North Eastern Railway—Week to December 13, £1,140,000; decrease, £64,000.

Assam Bengal Railway—Week to November 15, increase, Rs.24,095. Singapore Electric Tramways—Week to December 13, decrease, Rs.3,809. San Paulo Railway—Week to December 14, increase, £2,799. Salvador Railway—Week to December 13, decrease, £399. Alcoy and Gandia Railway and Harbour—Week to December 13, increase, Ps.2,000. Mersey Railway—Week to December 13, increase, £328. Costa Rica Railway—October, increase, £6,361.

United Railways of Havana—Week to December 13, increase £1,341. Central Argentine Railway—Increase, £15,000. Rangoon Electric Tramway and Supply—October net earnings, increase Rs.20,900. Metropolitan Railway—Week to December 13, increase £1,819. Central Uruguay Railway, increase £840. Ditto Eastern, decrease £665. Ditto Northern, increase £225. Ditto Western, increase £316. Argentine North-Eastern, increase £9,700. Underground Electric Railways Company of London Common Fund Companies, decrease £6,119. London and Suburban Traction Group, decrease £4,227. Madras Electric Tramways—Fortnight ended December 15, Rs.46,900. Leopoldina Railway—Week to December 13, increase £4,584. Egyptian Markets—Week to December 11, decrease £784. Entre Rios Railways, increase £5,900. Buenos Ayres and Pacific Railway—Week to December 13, decrease £10,000. B.A.G.S. decrease £6,000 (including £18,000 approximate gross receipts Bahia Blanca and N.W. Railway Company, Ltd.). B.A. Western, increase £5,000. Antofagasta and Bolivia Railway—Week to December 14, decrease £8,118.

INSURANCE MERGER DENIED.

The *Star* is officially informed that there is no truth in the rumours of a probable amalgamation between the Gresham Fire and Accident Society and the Victory Insurance Company.

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LONDON MINING MARKET STEADY.

COPPER SHARES RECEIVING ATTENTION.

Little of interest occurred in the Stock Exchange yesterday; a holiday spirit was abroad, and business was on a small scale. The tone generally kept very firm, and the purely investment departments could still boast a fair trickle of public dealing. The more speculative departments were somewhat irregular, and, apart from a few specialities, enthusiasm was at a very low ebb. The Mining market could only be described as steady, buyers and sellers being equally indifferent so far as the majority of counters were concerned. The Kaffirs' dividends so far announced were generally thought to be satisfactory, having regard to the decline in the price of gold, while the announcements of the Brakpan and Springs Mines were of a highly encouraging character. Few of the leading counters showed activity, though Central Mining were in demand, and rapidly recovered, and Meyer and Charlton, Robinson Deep "B," Durban Deep and S.-W. Africa received support. Paris remained indifferent for the most part, but the Cape sent over small buying orders for some of its specialities. The close was dull and uninteresting. There was considerably more doing in the Rhodesian department, Chartered being again well in the running, and finishing 3d. higher at 16s. 9d., a brisk business being in progress in the street. Selukwe also became prominent, and although no fresh news came to hand there was some significant buying, both firm and on option, with the result that a substantial gain was scored. Cam and Motor and Gaika were harder, and there was a quiet demand for Zambesia Exploring, but Tanks were content to maintain their former level. Shamva and Sherwood Starr both receded. A good development report was received from the Lomah Rhodesia Mining Co. Diamonds were firm, with a moderate inquiry for the De Beers issues. A good demand existed for West African Diamonds, and a sharp advance was scored. The price of tin was slightly lower at £260 12s. 6d. per ton, but the Share market was as strong as ever. Several of the Nigerian issues came into demand, Ropps, Mongus and the Kadunas being actively bid for at advancing prices. With the outlook for the metal improving, attention is being directed to Copper Shares, and although no pronounced advance can be recorded, several counters are being quietly nibbled at, Messina being frequently mentioned. Rio Tinto were a half a crown to the good, but South American Copper were still dull. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U. Dec. 15.			
1⅛	Anglo-Amer. Corp.	1⅛-1⅜	− ⅛
1⅛	Anglo-French	1⅛-1⅜	
3⅛	Brakpan	3⅛-3⅜	
12½	Cent. Min'g (£8)	12⅛-12⅜	+ ⅛
12/6	Central W'st(£3)	12/3-12/9	
3⅛	City Deep	3⅛-3⅜	
20/0	Con. Goldfields	19/9-20/3	
13/6	Cons. Main Reef	13/3-13/9	
13/3	Cons. Selec. 10/-	13/3-13/9	
17/6	Crown Mines(10/)	3⅛-3⅜	
22/3	Durban Deep	22/0-22/9	−0/3
12/3	E. Rand Prop.	12/1½-12/7½	−0/3
1⅛	Geduld	1⅛-1⅜	
14/6	Gen. Mining	14/0-15/0	
12/6	G. M. Investment	11/6-12/0	+0/3
7⅛	Government Mines	7⅛-7⅜	
12/9	H. E. Prop.	12/6-13/3	
20/3	Johan'burg C'nsl.	20/1½-20/7½	
1⅛	Kleinfontein	1⅛-1⅜	
17/6	Knight's	16/3-17/3	
22/0	Langlaagte Estate	21/6-22/6	
2⅛	Meyer & Charlton	2⅛-2⅜	+ ⅛
1⅛	M'derfontein (10/)	1⅛-1⅜	
22/1½	Modder B. (5/)	22/0-23/0	
7⅛	Modder Deep (2/)	7⅛-7⅜	
1⅛	Modder East	1⅛-1⅜	
1⅛	New State Areas	1⅛-1⅜	
9/3	Nigel	9/0-9/6	
9/3	Nourse Mines	9/0-9/6	
2⅛	Rand Mines (5/)	2⅛-2⅜	
20/3	Randfontein	20/0-20/6	
1⅛	Rob'son D A (5/)	1⅛-1⅜	
28/0	Robinson Dp. B.	28/0-28/9	+0/3
13/3	Rose Deep	13/0-13/6	
10/9	Sabie (5/)	10/9-11/0	−0/3
1⅛	S.A. Gold Trust	1⅛-1⅜	
2⅛	Springs Mines	2⅛-2⅜	
11/6	Sub Nigel	11/9-12/3	
3	Trans. and Del. B.	2⅞-3⅛	
27/0	Trans.Con.L(10/)	27/0-27/6	
44/0	Union Corp(12/6)	44/0-45/0	
28/3	Van Ryn	28/3-28/9	
4	Van Ryn Deep	4-4⅛	
23/0	Vereeniging	22/6-23/0	−0/3
11/9	Village Deep	11/3-11/9	
24/3	West Springs	24/3-24/9	
3/6	Do. Options	4/0-4/6	
⅞	Wit'ersrand Deep	17/0-18/0	

RHODESIAN.

M.U. Dec. 15.			
6/3	Bechuanaland Ex.	6/3-6/9	
3⅛	Cam and Motor	3⅛-3⅜	+ ⅛
16/7½	Chart'd B.S.A.	16/7½-16/10½	+0/3
7/9	Falcon	7/6-8/0	
21/9	Gaika Gold	21/9-22/3	+0/3
12/6	Globe & Phoenix(5/)	12/3-12/9	
8/6	Gold F. Rho. (10/)	8/4½-8/7½	
1⅛	Lonely Reef	1-1⅛	
2	Rezende	1⅞-2	
4/6	R. Broken Hill (5/)	4/0-4/3	
13/3	Selukwe (2/6)	13/0-13/9	+1/3
1⅛	Shamva Mines	1⅛-1⅜	− ⅛
4/9	Sherwood Starr	4/6-4/9	− ⅛
2⅛	Tanganyika	2⅛-2⅜	
4/9	Vic. Falls Ord.	3⅛-3⅜	
21/3	do. Pref.	21/0-21/6	
18/0	Wankie Col. 10/	17/6-18/6	
3/9	Willoughby	3/6-4/0	+0/3
20/3	Zambesia Expl.	20/3-20/9	+1⅛

DIAMOND.

3⅛	Angola Diamond	3⅛-3⅜	
17/6	Con. D. S. W. A.	16/9-17/3	
12⅞	De Beers Def.	12⅞-13⅛	+ ⅛
11⅛	do. Pref.	11⅛-11⅜	+ ⅛
3⅛	Jagersfontein	3⅛-3⅜	
1⅛	N. Val. River	1⅛-1⅜	
7⅛	Premier Pf. 5/	7⅛-7⅜	
1⅛	West African	13/9-14/3	+0/9

AUSTRALIAN.

1/0	Amal. Zinc	1⅛-1⅜	
12/0	Associated	12/3-12/9	−0/6
23/6	Broken Hill Prop.	23/6-24/6	−0/6
3	B. Hill Sth. New	3⅛-3⅜	
1⅛	Electro Zinc Pref.	1⅛-1⅜	
18/6	Lake View 10/-	18/6-19/0	
5⅛	North Broken Hill	5⅛-5⅜	− ⅛
13/0	Sulphide Ord.	11/6-12/6	
12/6	South Kalgurli	12/0-14/0	
22/0	Zinc Ord. (10/-)	22/6-23/6	−0/6
3⅛	do. Pref.	3⅛-3⅜	− ⅛

WEST AFRICAN.

11/6	Ashanti Gold 4/	11/3-11/9	
9/4½	Fanti Cons. 8/	9/0-9/6	
13/7½	Gold Coast Amal.	13/6-14/0	
4/0	Taquah & Abosso	3/9-4/3	

RUSSIAN.

7/9	Lena Gold	7/6-7/9	
5/0	RussoAsiat.Cns.	5/0-5/3	
1/6	Russian Mining	1/3-1/6	
1⅛	Siberian Props.	5/0-5/6	
⅛	Spassky	⅛-⅜	

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M.U. Dec. 15.			
16/6	Anglo-Con. (10/-)	16/6-16/9	+0/3
3⅛	Aramayo Mines	3⅛-3⅜	
4/3	Bauchi Ord. (10/)	4/3-4/9	
6/6	do. Pref (10/)	6/3-6/9	
10/3	Bisichi	9/9-10/3	+0/3
1⅛	Gopeng	1⅛-1⅜	
33/3	Ipoh	33/6-34/0	+0/3
18/6	Kaduna Synd (5/)	18/6-19/6	+0/6
2⅛	Kamunting	2⅛-2⅜	
2	Kramat Pulai	2-2⅛	
3⅛	Malayan T.D.	3⅛-3⅜	+ ⅛
18/6	Mongu	18/6-19/0	+0/3
20/9	Naraguta	21/0-22/0	
20/9	Pahang (5/)	19/6-21/0	
1⅛	Rambutan	1⅛-1⅜	
1⅛	Renong	1⅛-1⅜	
14/3	Ropp (4/ Sha)	14/6-15/0	+0/6
4⅛	Siamese	4⅛-4⅜	
9/9	South Bukeru	9/6-10/0	
22/0	Tavoy	21/6-22/6	
2⅛	Tronoh	2⅛-2⅜	

COPPER.

1⅛	Arizona (5/-)	⅞-1⅛*	
⅛	Mount Elliott (£5)	⅛-⅜	
—	Mount Morgan	6/6-6/9	
24/6	Mount Lyell	24/3-25/3	
1⅛	Namaqua	1⅛-1⅜	
38⅛	Rio Tinto (£5)	38⅛-38⅜	+ ⅛
11/3	S. American (2/)	10/6-11/0	−0/3

MISCELLANEOUS.

⅛	Bingo Pref.	⅛-⅜	
14/6	Brit. Platinum	13/3-13/9	
14/3	Burma Corp.	14/0-14/6	+0/6
7/3	Champion Reef	6/9-7/3	
1⅛	Chosen Synd "A"	1⅛-1⅜	
—	Colombian Props	15/6-16/6	
3/7½	Corderoy Synd.	3/6-4/0	
2⅛	Eurohian Belt	2⅛-2⅜	
6/6	Easley Silver	6/6-7/0	
7/6	Kirkland Lake	6/9-7/3	
4⅛	Mexico Mines	4⅛-4⅜	− ⅛
4⅛	Minerals Separ'n	4⅛-4⅜	
11/6	Min. Crp. of Can.	11/0-11/6	
12/9	Mysore (10/-)	12/3-12/9	
6/3	Nat. Min. (1-p.)	6/0-6/6	
7/6	Nundydroog	7/3-8/3	
13/3	Ooregum	12/6-13/6	
1⅛	Oroville	1⅛-1⅜	
12/6	Porcupine Gold	12/6-13/0	
18/6	St. John Del Rey	18/6-19/6	
24/6	San Francisco 10/	24/6-25/0	+0/6
10/6	Santa Gertrudis	10/3-10/9	
—	S. Amer. G. Areas	1⅛-1	
3/6	Vipond	3/3-3/9	
1⅛	Waihi Gold	1⅛-1⅜	

* Ex. Dividend. † Ex. Rights.

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were "marked" in London yesterday:—

Consols—57⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. 3½ p.c. War Loan—97⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. 4½ p.c. War Loan—97, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. 5 p.c. War Loan—101⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. 4 p.c. War Loan—101, ⅛, ⅛. Funding Loan—88½, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Victory Bonds—92⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Conversion Loan 3½ p.c.—78, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. India 3½ p.c.—66½. India 7 p.c. Loan—106⅛. Australia 6 p.c.—26⅛. Australia 5 p.c. Stock—101⅛. South Africa 6 p.c.—105. Japan 6 p.c. Sterling—92⅛, ⅛. African and Eastern—35/1⅛, 5/-, 4/6. Allied Newspapers Pref.—20/-, 1⅛d., 19/10⅛, 19/9, 20/-, 19/11⅛, 9d. Amalgamated Cotton—11/-, 10/9. Amalgamated Press—46/-, 5/6. Anglo-Dutch Rubber—44/1⅛, 7⅛d., *4/-, 4d., 1⅛d., 3d. Armstrong—14/3, 9d., 6d., 7⅛d., 14/-. Assoc. Cement—15/7⅛, 6d., 10⅛d., 9d., 4⅛d., 3d., 4⅛d. Associated Newspapers Def.—6⅛, ⅛. Baldwins Ord.—13/6, 9d., 7⅛d., 55-64. Barclays Bank "A"—8⅛; do. "B"—56/10⅛. Beecham Estates Pref.—29/1⅛, 3d., 29/-. Borril Def.—48/1⅛, 7/6, 9d. Brazilian Traction—56⅛. British-American Tobacco—108/10⅛, 9d., 6d. British Oil and Cake—23/-. Brunner Mond—39/4⅛, 8/10⅛, 9/3, 9/-. Bryant and May—51/3. Buenos Ayres Great Southern—86⅛. Buenos Ayres Western Ord.—75⅛. Buenos Ayres Pacific—79⅛. Calico Printers—*36/-, 3d., 10⅛d. Canadian Pacific—161⅛. Central Argentine Cons.—72⅛. Coats—63/-, 2/6, 9d., 3/-. Cook (St. Paul's) Ord.—23/-. Courtaulds—66/9, 7/1⅛, 7/-, 6/10⅛, 6/9, 7⅛d., *9⅛d., 8/-. Courtaulds Pref.—18/9, 9d., 18/-. Crosse and Blackwell—3/7⅛. Crosse and Winkworth Pref.—19/-, 11/10⅛. Cunard Ord.—19/10⅛, 9d. Cunard Debs.—105, 4⅛. "Daily Mail" Trust Debs.—*107. "Daily Mirror" Ord.—6⅛, ⅛. Dorman Long—12/7⅛, 8⅛d. Dunlop Ord.—9/11⅛, 9d., 7⅛d., 9⅛d., 10/-, 9/11⅛. Dunlop "C" Pref.—20/6. Dunlop Tire America Debs.—105. Edison Swan—6/3. Elder-Dempster 6 p.c. Pref.—19/9, 20/-, 19/10⅛. English Sewing Cotton—60/9, 3⅛d., 9d. Fine Cotton Spinners—*55/-, 7⅛d., 9d. Finlay (James)—81/3, 6d., 9d., 2/-, 1/3, *80/6, 1/-, 6d., 80/9, 4⅛d., 3d. Forestal Land—22/7⅛, 4⅛d. General Electric Ord.—20/3, 7⅛d., 4⅛d. General Electric Debs.—105⅛, 6⅛. German 3 p.c.—26/9. German 3⅛ p.c.—18/6. German 4 p.c.—18/7⅛. German 7 p.c. External Loan—99⅛. Grand Central Rubber—22/-. Great Western Rail—*108⅛, ⅛. Greek 7 p.c. Refugee Loan (£43 paid)—6⅛. Guinness Ord.—493. Harland and Wolff Pref.—18/4⅛, 3d., 4⅛d. Harrod's Ord.—43/9, *8/-, 3/4⅛, 3d., *3/9. Highlands Rubber—37/9. Hudson's Bay Ord—5 19-64. Hungarian 7½ p.c., 1924—94⅛. Imperial Tobacco—85/-, *4/6, 5/1⅛, 5/-, 4/9, 10⅛d., 7⅛d., *3d. Jute Industries—6/6, 3⅛d. Lever 7 p.c. Pref.—21/9, 6d., 10⅛d., *6d., 9/-. Lever 8 p.c. Pref.—22/-, 1/10⅛, 11⅛d., 9⅛d., 9d. do. 7 p.c. Debs.—107⅛. Lipton Ord.—29/4⅛. Lister Ord.—31/7⅛, 10⅛d., 3/3, 1/9, 10⅛d. Lloyds Bank—61/1⅛, 60/9, 1/3, 1⅛d. London Asiatic Rubber—3/1⅛. London, Midland and Scottish Ord.—100⅛. London and North-Eastern Pref. Ord.—83⅛. do. Def. Ord.—30⅛. Lyons (J.) and Co. Ord.—90/-, 88/9, 90/-; do. 7 p.c. Pref.—24/9, 6d., 4⅛d., 9d. Malayalam Rubber—38/10⅛, 3d., 9d., 6d., 9/-. Marconi Ord.—31/3, 6d., 1/-; do. Canada—5/4⅛, 6d., *4/6, 5/7⅛, 4⅛d. Maypole Def.—5/3⅛, 3d., 4⅛d., 3d. Metropolitan Rail.—*82, 1⅛. Metropolitan District—85⅛. Midland Bank—8⅛. Mond Nickel—44/3. Nat. Prov. Bank (£3⅛)—10⅛; do. (£4)—11⅛. Nestle 8 p.c. Pref.—23/10⅛. Niger 6 p.c. Pref.—15/9, 4⅛d. Nobel Indus.—24/7⅛, 6d., 4⅛d., 9d., 4⅛d.; do. Pref.—21/1⅛, 1/-. Parent Def.—44/-, 3d., 3/6. Peruvian Corp. Pref.—41⅛. P. and O. 5 p.c. Debs.—100⅛, 100. Prussian 3⅛ p.c.—25/-. Radio Corp. Com.—9⅛. do. Pref.—10⅛. Rubber Trust—32/7⅛, 3d., 4⅛d. Selfridge Ord.—*28/3; do. Pref.—25/4⅛, 5/-, 4/9. Southern Rail. Pref. Ord.—83⅛. do. Def. Ord.—43⅛. Sudan Plantations—7⅛, £7 1/-. Sunday Pictorial Ord.—85/3, 4/4⅛, 5/-, 10⅛d. Swedish Match "B"—9 43-64. Turkish Unified—19⅛, 20, 19⅛. Underground Elec.—63/-, 6d., 2/-. Underground Income Bonds—100⅛, 100⅛, 99⅛. Union Cold Storage 6 p.c. Pref.—20/10⅛, 1/1⅛, 1/-, 3d., 1/-. United Dairies—35/4⅛, *8/-, 6d., 4/9, 5/4⅛, 6d. United of Havana Rail.—84⅛. United Premier Oil and Cake Ord.—14/-, 13/9. United Serdang Rubber—3/10⅛. United Tobacco—34/-, 3d., 3/1⅛, 4/-, 7⅛d., 6d. Vickers—11/7⅛, 4⅛d., 6d., 3⅛d., 3d., *9⅛, 4⅛d. Walker (Peter) "B" Pref.—20/3. Watney Combe Def.—217⅛, 14, 15⅛, 16, 16⅛, 17, 18, 16⅛. Westminster Bank—19⅛, 17⅛, 19⅛, ⅛. £18 2/3, 17⅛, 18⅛. Workman Clark Debs.—30.

MINES.

Akim—12/3, 13/7⅛, 3d., 6d., 10⅛d., 11⅛d. Anglo-American Corp.—24/4⅛, 9d., 7⅛d., 5/-, 4/10⅛. Brakpan—*77/3, 2⅛d., 5/1⅛, 6/3, 5/7⅛. British South Africa (Chart.)—*16/4⅛, 6d., 7⅛d., 9⅛d., 3⅛d., 4⅛d., 16/-, 6⅛d., *3d., 9d., 1⅛d. Cam. and Motor—31/3, 30/7⅛, 30/-. Central Mining—12⅛, 12⅛. Chosen Syndicate—27/6, 7/-, 6/10⅛, 6d., 7/3, 9d. City Deep—69/4⅛, *4⅛d., 3d., 70/-, *68/9, *6/3, 8/3. Cons. Diamond Mines S.W. Africa—17/3. Consol. Gold Fields—20/-, 19/9, *4⅛d. Consol. Main Reef—*13/3, 13/-, 14/10⅛, *14/9, 9d., 15/6. Crown Mines—57/6, 6/10⅛, 7/6, 6d., *6/6, 7/7⅛. Durban Rood. Deep—22/7⅛, 4⅛d., 3d., 9d., 6d. East Rand Prop.—12/6, 4⅛d., 6⅛d., 3d., *12/-, 3⅛d. Geduld—55/-, *5/-. General Mining—14/4⅛. Johannesburg Consol. Invest.—26/6, 4⅛d., 3d., *6/-, 1⅛d. Kirkland Lake—7/-. Langlaagte—21/3, 1/-. Mexico Mines of El Oro—4⅛. Modderfontein B (5/- shares)—*22/-, 6d. Modderfontein Deep (5/- shares)—*7/3, 6/4⅛, 7/6, 6/6. Modderfontein East—17/10⅛. Meyer and Charlton—*47/6. Modder-fontein—20/3, 7⅛d., 9/3. New State Areas—35/-, 6d. Rand Mines—*56/1⅛, 5/-, 6/10⅛, 7/6⅛, 6d. Randfontein Estates—*20/-. Robinson Deep B—*28/3, 6d., 1⅛d., 4⅛d., 9/-. Rose Deep—14/7⅛, 3d., 4⅛d., 6⅛d., 6d., 10⅛d., 28⅛, 3d. Sabie Gold—*13/3, 4⅛d., 6d. S.A. Gold Trust—11⅛, 5⅛, 13/6, 13/9, 18/9, 13/6, 6d., 4⅛d., 8⅛d. South American Copper—10/10⅛, 11/1⅛, 11/-, *10/7⅛. Springs Mines—55/-, 4/6, 6/7⅛, 6⅛, 6d. Union Corporation—44/6, 6/-, 4/7⅛, 5/-. Van Ryn—26/1⅛, 7⅛d., 6d. Van Ryn Deep—81/10⅛, 80/3, 7⅛d., 7/6. Village Deep—11/3, 6⅛d., 6d. West Springs—24/7⅛, 6d., 4⅛d. Zinc Corp.—30/10⅛, 30/9, 6d., 30/4⅛, 30/-, 29/9, 30/3, 29/4⅛, 29/6.

OILS.

Anglo-American Ord.—*4/4⅛, 3/-, 4/0⅛, 4/-, 3/9. Anglo-Ecuadorian—*6/6⅛, 3⅛d. Anglo-Persian Ord.—23/9, 3/6, 3/9⅛; do. 8 p.c. Pref.—24/7⅛, 3d., 9/-, 4⅛d. British Controlled Oil—13/7⅛, 3⅛d., 13/9, 6⅛d., 6⅛d.; do. Pref.—14/0⅛, 9d., 3⅛d., 3d., 6d., 7⅛d., 9d., 14/1⅛, 6d., 9d., 7⅛d., 10⅛d., 15/-, *8d., 4⅛d., 4d., 7⅛d., 6d., 14/3, 5d., 9d., 14/7⅛, 6d. Burmah Oil—5⅛, ⅛. Caltex—2/1⅛, 2/-. Kern River—14/6, 3d., 6⅛d., 13/9, 14/-, 13/6, 10⅛d., 14/1⅛. Lobitos—8⅛, 5/-, 16/9, 17/3, 16/4⅛, 6d., 3d., 7⅛d., 17/-, 16/10⅛, 16/9, 17/3, 16/8⅛. Mexican Eagle Ord.—16/9, 6⅛d. Mexican Eagle Pref.—15/9, 15/10⅛, 16/0⅛, *16/9, 16/6⅛, 14/-. Phoenix Oil—19/1⅛, 19/-. Royal Dutch—31⅛, 30⅛. Shell—5⅛, 4/7⅛, 4/4⅛, 4/9⅛. Trinidad Leaseholds—32/4⅛. V.O.C. Holdings—32/4⅛; do. Pref.—48/9.

TEAS.

Amalgamated Estates—50⅛, 49⅛, ⅛, 50⅛, 49⅛, ⅛, 50⅛, 49⅛, 50⅛. Anglo-Ceylon—53/9, 4/-, 50/3. Assam Company—50/-, *49/9, 50/6, 49/6, 10⅛d., 9d. Assam Cons.—21/3, 6d., 8⅛d., 9/-, 1/7⅛, 9d. Assam Dooars—59⅛, 60⅛, 59⅛, 60⅛. Assam Frontier—8⅛. Bargang—61/6, 60/7⅛. Borelli—5⅛, ⅛, £5 5/6, 5⅛. Borhella—30⅛, 1⅛, 30⅛, 1, 30⅛, 1⅛, 1, ⅛. Brahmaputra—35⅛, ⅛. British Assam—5⅛. British Indian—96/6, 7/6, 8/-. Budla Beta—7⅛. Cachar and Dooars (x.d.)—100/6, 100/-. Ceylon Plant.—*5⅛, ⅛. Ceylon Prop.—54/6, 4/-. Chargola (x.d.)—37/6, 9d. Chubwa (x.d.)—5⅛. Cons. Tea and Lands—86, 5⅛, 6⅛, 6, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 5, 6⅛, 5, 6⅛, 5⅛, ⅛. Darjeeling—41/6, 3/-. Deundi—29/-, 6d. Dimbula Valley—50/-. Dooars (x.d.)—88/9, 9/6, *7/-. Doologram—58/6. Doom Dooma—5⅛. East India and Ceylon—£5 17/9, 5⅛, ⅛. Eastern Assam—85/6, 6/-, 6/-. Eastern Produce—85/-, 4/6, 6/-, 5/4⅛, 6/3, 5/-, 5/6, 6/9, 5/-, 3/-, 4/-, 6/-, 5/6, 7⅛d., 4/-, 4/6, 5/6, 6/9, 5/-, 3/9, 4/-. Galaha Ceylon—43/9, 3d. Imperial—20/6, 3d. Jhanzie—95/-, 6d. 6/-, 3d., 5/9. Jokai (x.d.)—98/3, 7/3, 6d., 8/-, 7/6, 9d., 8/4⅛, 7/-, 6d., 8/6, 8/-. Jorehaut—£5 1/-, £5 0/6, *£4 19/-, £5 1/-, 6d., 5/6, 6d., 25⅛. Longai Valley—5⅛, ⅛. Lungla—50/9. Lunuva—44/-, 6d. Majuli—95/-, Moabund—6⅛. Nedeem—6/-, *4/6, 7/-, 6/-. New Sylhet—5⅛, £5 6/6. Pandan—21/6, 3d. Peacock and Nilambe—4/0⅛, 9⅛d. Rosehaugh Ceylon—48/6, 3d. Saphinjuri Street—16/6. Singlo—80/6, 4⅛d., 9/-, 90/-, 89/9, 4⅛d. Tea Corporation—90/3. Travancore—5⅛, ⅛, ⅛. United Planters, Ceylon—74/3, 4/-, 3/6, 4/-, 9d., 3/3. Upper Assam—72/6, 1/-.

(*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

DUBLIN STOCK EXCHANGE AND CHRISTMAS.

The Dublin Stock Exchange will be closed from Wednesday next, the 24th, to Saturday, the 27th inst. (inclusive)—a comfortable little holiday.

BANK OF SCOTLAND.

The directors of the Bank of Scotland have unanimously elected the Right Hon. Baron Elphinstone to be Governor of the bank, in succession to the late Mr. William John Mure, C.B., who died on 9th November last. Lord Elphinstone has been a member of the Directors' Court of the Bank of Scotland for the past seven years, and on the election of Mr. Mure to the Governorship, in succession to the late Lord Balfour of Burleigh, K.T., who died in July, 1921, he accepted office as Deputy Governor. The arrangement now made perpetuates the historic traditions of a position which has been closely identified with members of notable Scottish families, and in Lord Elphinstone's appointment the Bank of Scotland, founded in 1695, links its Governorship to a Peerage which dates from 1509.

NEW ENGLAND BREWERIES COMPANY.

The petition presented by the New England Breweries Co., Ltd., for the reduction of capital, comprising a repayment of £3 15s. per share to the holders of Preference Shares, was heard before Mr. Justice Eve, who made the usual order confirming the reduction. No transfers of Preference Shares will be accepted between December 16 and 31. Cheques for the repayment will be issued to the shareholders as soon as the order is registered.

HOME AND COLONIAL STORES.

The Home and Colonial Stores, Ltd., notify that the Chairman, Mr. H. G. Emery, has been appointed one of the managing directors, in place of Mr. F. E. Leighton, resigned.

SWEDISH MATCH CO. IN POLAND.

According to reports received from Stockholm the negotiations between the International Match Corporation, which is the American side of the Swedish Match Company, and the Polish Government are stated to be in an advanced stage and the conclusion of an agreement is believed to be imminent. The Polish Finance Ministry is elaborating a bill concerning the match monopoly, which will be given in lease to the Swedish combine against payment of an annuity of 5,000,000 zloty (about £200,000). During the first three years the payment will be reduced to 4,000,000 zloty. The Swedish Match Company has already acquired controlling interests in Polish match factories.

MEXICAN EAGLES SLUMP.

A fresh slump occurred in Mexican Eagle Oil Shares yesterday. The interim statement of the Board naturally has accentuated the fears regarding the company's prospects and the downward movement in the shares has been accelerated by the fact that numerous option positions have been closed. The directors' decision to defer payment of the next First Pref. dividend, due April 30, till the early days of June, indicate a hand-to-mouth policy. Other statements in the interim report which are viewed in the market with apprehension are the statements that production in new areas "has not yet met with full success," and that trading results for the year ended December 31 will be seriously affected by the strike at the Tampico Refinery. Production for 1924 is estimated at only 5,300,000 barrels, compared with 9,251,501 barrels for 1923 and 12,390,429 barrels for 1922. Purchases of oil for 1924 amounted to 13,600,000 barrels, against 11,100,000 barrels in 1923, and 5,418,910 barrels in 1922. The directors state that total sales will be less than in 1923. Disappointment is coming out by instalments, and shareholders should now be prepared for further shocks.

DUNLOP ARREARS.

The Albany street staff of the Dunlop Rubber Company, Limited, is working overtime at the task of preparing cheques for £760,000, the arrears of Pref. dividends to December 31, 1923, which are to be posted in time to reach the shareholders before Christmas.

The transfer books of Nobel Industries Ordinary Shares will be closed from the 24th December to 7th January, both days inclusive.

J. W. Elvery & Co., Ltd.,
Waterproofers & Sports Outfitters,
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
MECCANO

SETS from 3/6 to 55/-.
Replacement Sets, from 4/-.
CLOCKWORK MOTORS, TRAINS, RAILS.
Parts sold separately.

GOLF.
Complete Sets, 38/6
Juvenile Sets, 6/6
Vickers Rustless GOLF CLUBS, 15/6
PRACTICE CLUBS, 6/6 ea.
Our Special Gipsy Golf Ball, 1/6 ea.
Silver King Golf Balls made up in ½ doz. boxes.

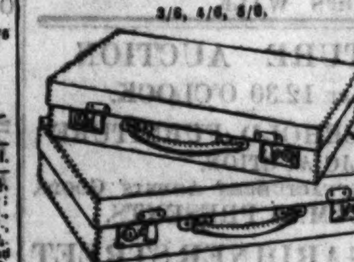
WALL QUOITS, 2/6, 3/-, 3/9, 5/6.
SHIELD SHAPE, 5/6, 7/6.

BOYS' FOOTBALLS, 1/11, 2/6, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6.
12 Panel, 7/6, 9/6.
FULL SIZED FOOTBALLS from 7/6.

MAH-JONGG SETS.
Card Sets, 3/6, 5/-.
Sets, 10/6, 17/6, 21/-, 22/6, to 70/- Set.
ROULETTE. 15/6, 22/6, 25/-, 63/-.
SANDOWN, 12/6, 35/-, 63/-.

SCHOOL BAGS,
Grain Hide pocket, 9/6 and 10/6.
KNAPSACK, 7/6 and 10/6.
Leather ordinary, 10" 3/6, 12" 4/6, 13" 5/6, 14" 6/6.

DISC O'GAMES, 3/- ea.
TABLE CROQUET, 7/6, 9/6, 15/6.
MINORU SETS, 7/-, 9/6, 16/-.
TRAVELLING CHESS SETS, 15/6, 22/6.
PING PONG SETS from 5/6.
FOLDING TABLE TENNIS BOARD.
Painted, 8' x 4' 30/-
,, 9' x 5' 50/-
Trestle Set of 3 .... 16/6
Planchette 3/6
Bezique .... 4/6 & 5/0
Playing Cards, etc., etc.
Boy Champion Billiard Tables.
3ft. 37/6
4ft. 47/6
Miniature Bagatelle Boards, 65/-
,, ,, Folding 105/-
Tivoli Bagatelle Boards 5/6



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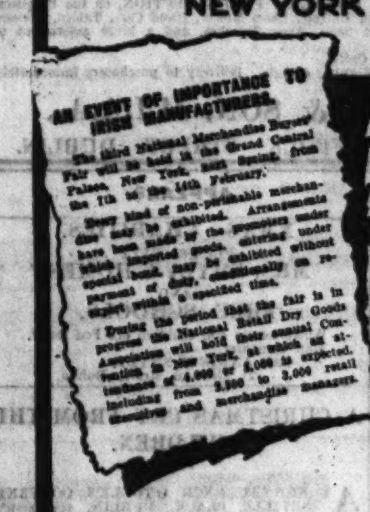

SPECIAL FACILITIES FOR INTENDING VISITORS

Round Trip to NEW YORK on the Wonder-ships
AMERICA (Cabin and 3rd class) From Cobh - Jan. 23
GEORGE WASHINGTON (1st, 2nd and 3rd class) From Southampton Jan. 29
GEORGE WASHINGTON (1st, 2nd and 3rd class) From New York - Feb. 14
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